

# Cut Cells and conserving high order schemes

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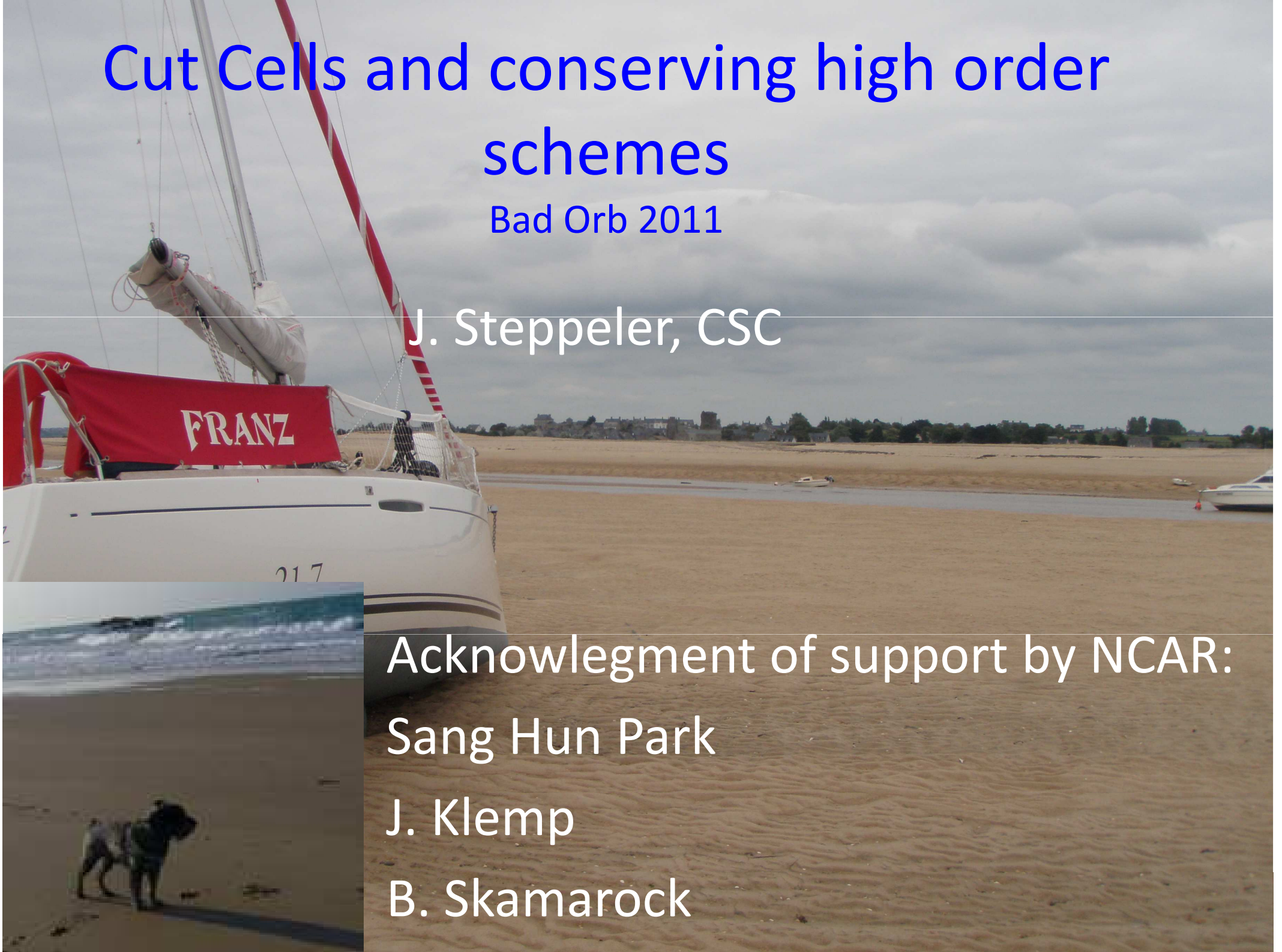
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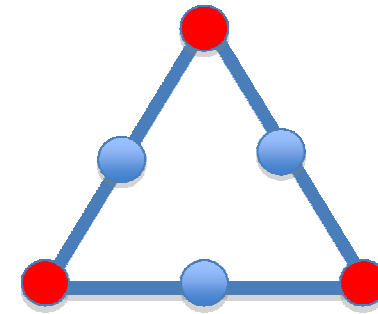
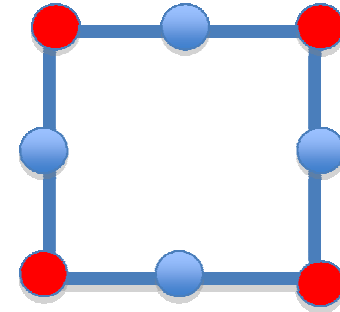
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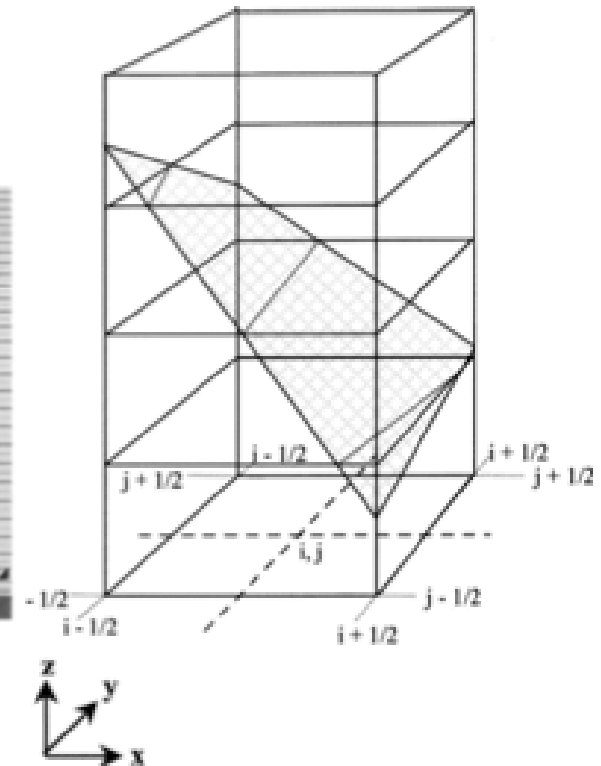
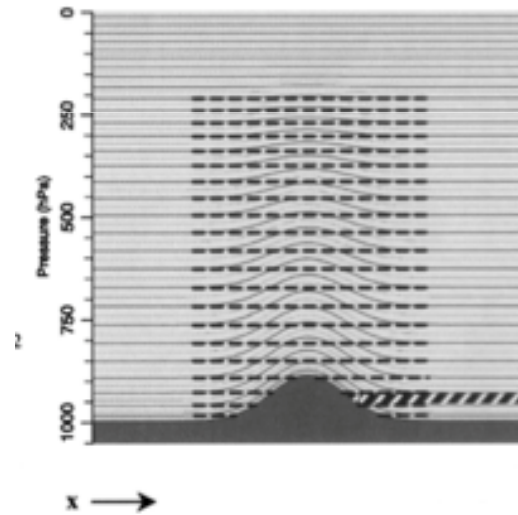
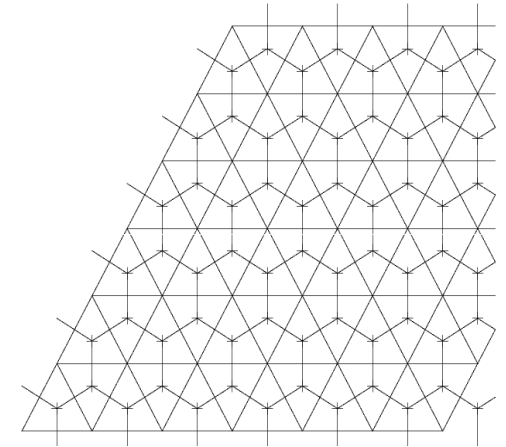
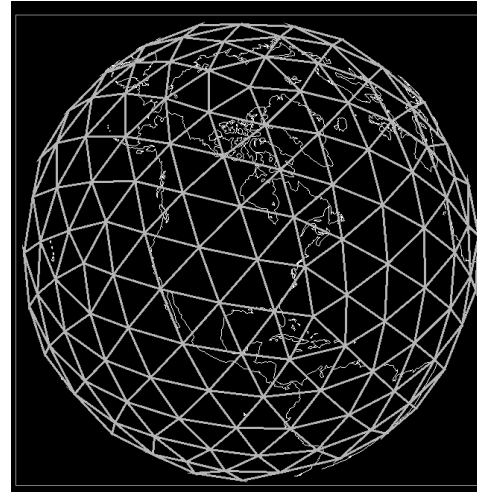
# Serendipity Local-Galerkin Schemes with and without Interpolation

- Are conservative of „high“ order
- Arakawa schemes are a special case: O2 grid with o1 interpolation
- O3 grid without interpolation results into a third order conserving scheme
- O2 grid without interpolation is conserving and second order on irregular grids. For regular grids Super-convergence gives third order.
- L-Galerkin avoids the use of a mass matrix and is local
- The non-interpolating versions are spectral element schemes

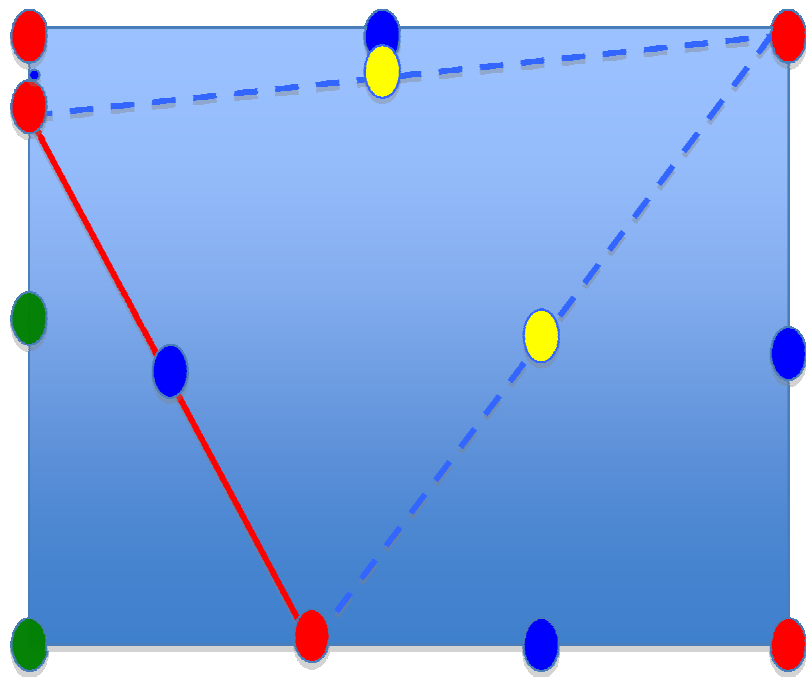


# Grids to be used

- Triangular/hexagonal grids also irregular and patching with grid fault lines
- Cut cell grids/shaved cells/z-co-ordinate: very irregular near the surface
- 1-d schemes can be carried over to the 2-d/3-d case and irregular grids. Superconvergence properties will not always carry over
- A minimum “order by construction” will carry over to 2-d and irregular grids.



# Triangulation



# Transfer of 1-d schemes to irregular and 2-d/3-d meshes

- A popular method of choice is **finite volumes**: naturally conserving, o2 or o4 on **regular grids**. No o2 schemes are known **for irregular grids**. This problem exists already for **1-d**.
- The combination of o2 or o3 with conservation is an **open problem even in 1-d**
- **Finite elements/spectral elements** are not popular, naturally conserving and can be of any order on irregular/polygonal grids
- Local Galerkin Serendipity schemes use no mass matrix. They use local difference stencils.

# Schemes considered

- **Serendipity grid-o2 with linear interpolation** (Arakawa C) approximation order o2 for regular grid, generalises to polygonal irregular case, approximation order drops to o1: **play models**
- **Serendipity grid-o2 with interpolation-o2 or non-interpolating**, approximation o3 by super-convergence on regular grids, o2 for irregular grids, o3 is retained for slightly irregular hexogonal grids: **play models**
- **Serendipity grid-o3 non-interpolating**, approximation o3 for irregular polygonal grids: **play models**
- **Cut cells for Arakawa C**, approximation o2 for regular part of grid, o1 for irregular cells near surface: **3-d real life model with actual data**

# 1-d o2 non-interpolating scheme with super-convergence leading to order o3

Classic o4

O2-serendipity, **not interpolating (spectral elements)**  
3<sup>rd</sup> order by super-convergence

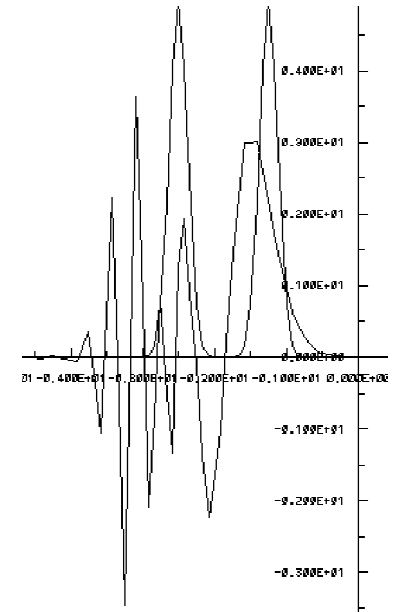
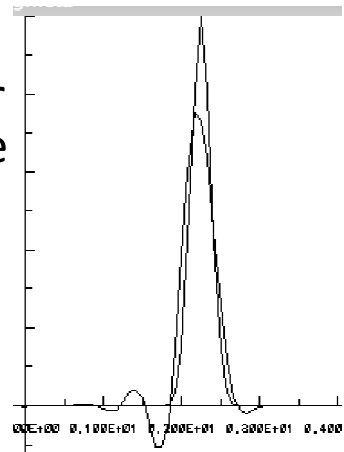
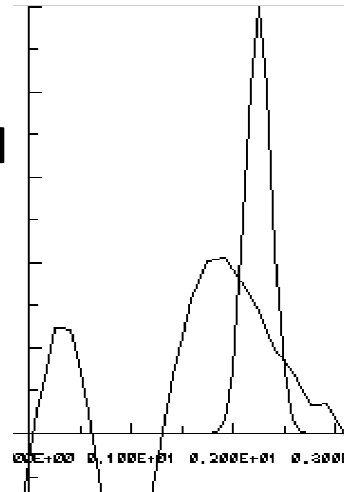
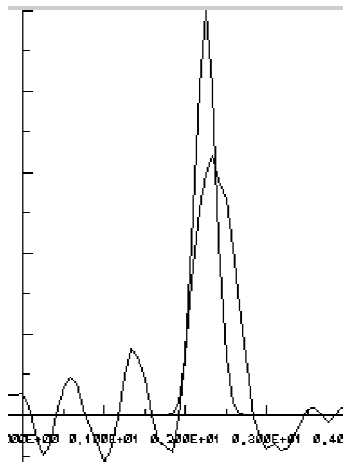
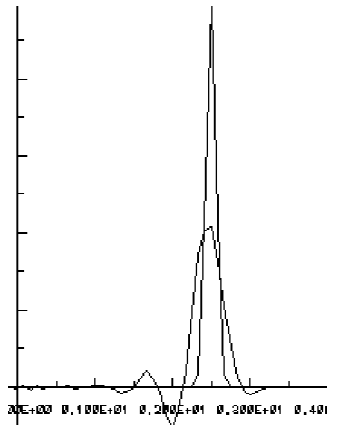
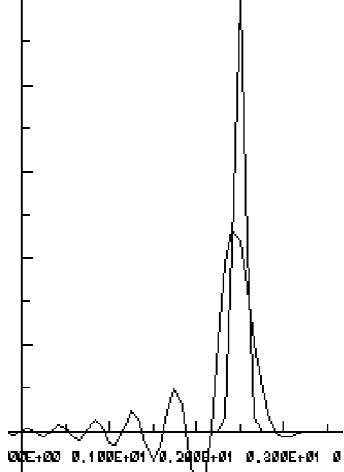
As Below and lower left, for **classical Arakawa** scheme

O2-serendipity **interpolating** 3<sup>rd</sup> order by super-convergence  
**Double resolution**, strong computational mode

As left (equivalent resolution), for **non interpolating (spectral elements)** scheme

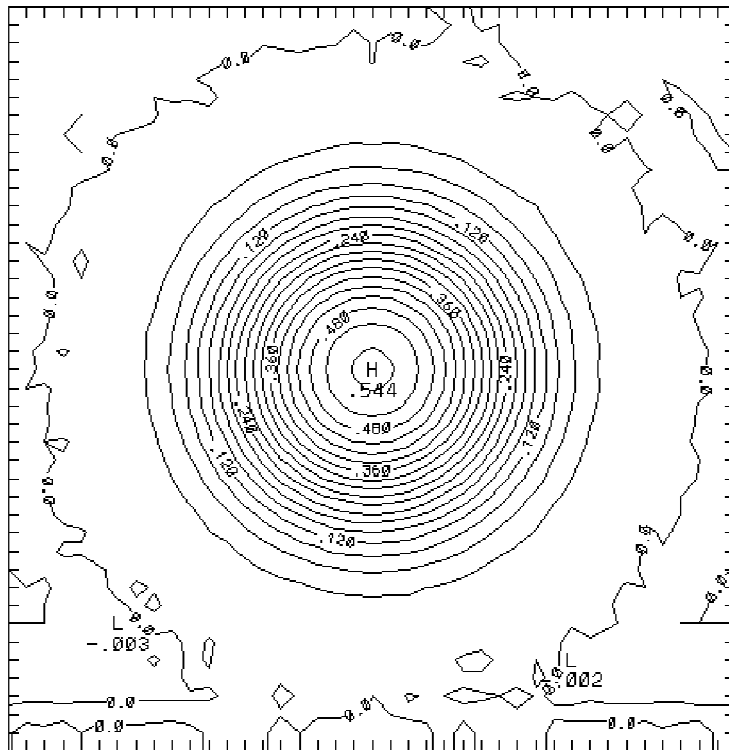
**Top: computational mode of classical Arakawa:**

The initial values, the exact solution and solution by classical Arakawa: Strong waves of **negative group velocity** are seen.

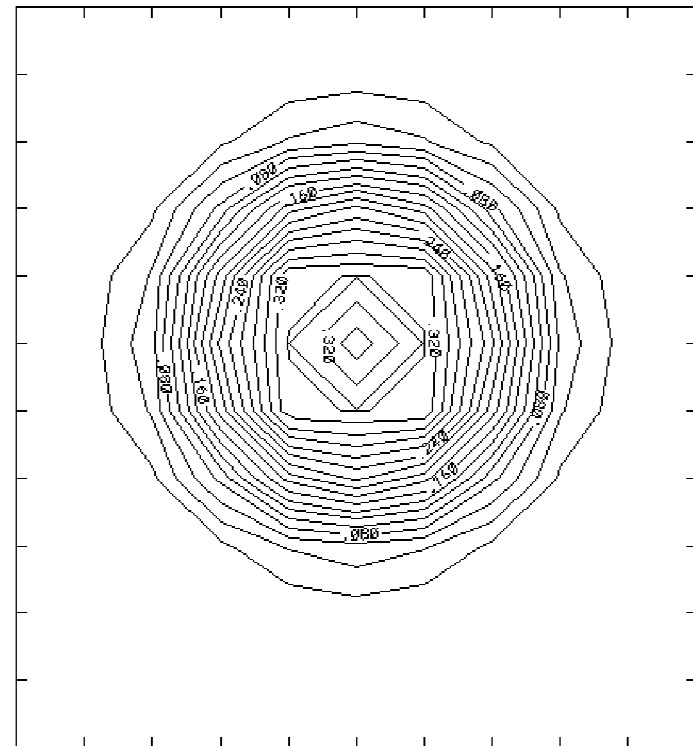


# Rotational symmetric gravitational wave by third order conserving scheme (on o3 grid)

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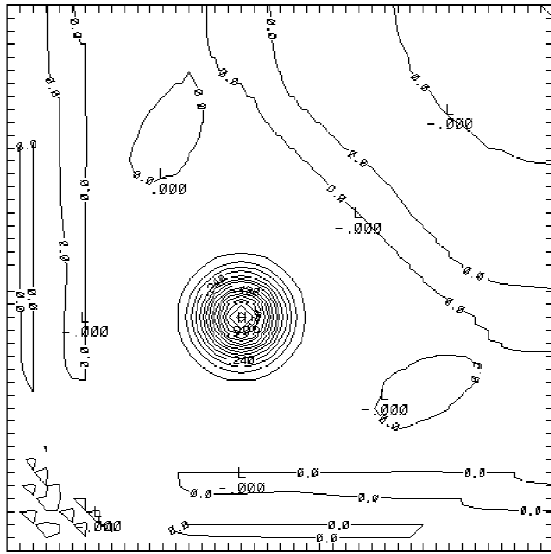
30 points



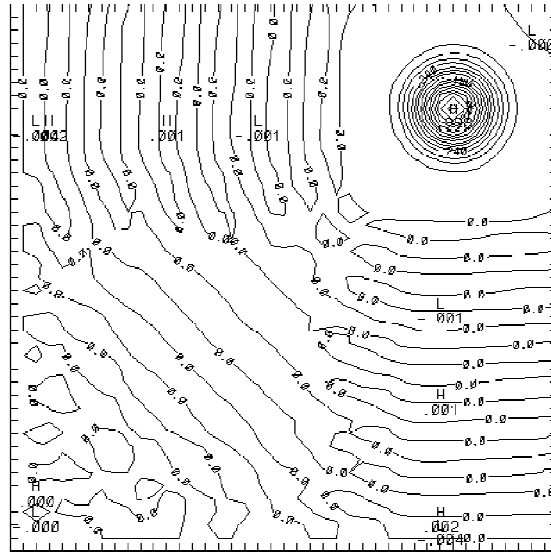


# Irregular resolution (order 3): linear homogeneous advection

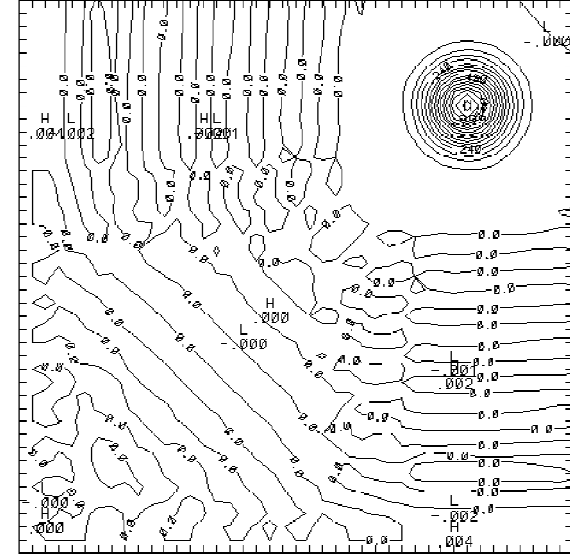
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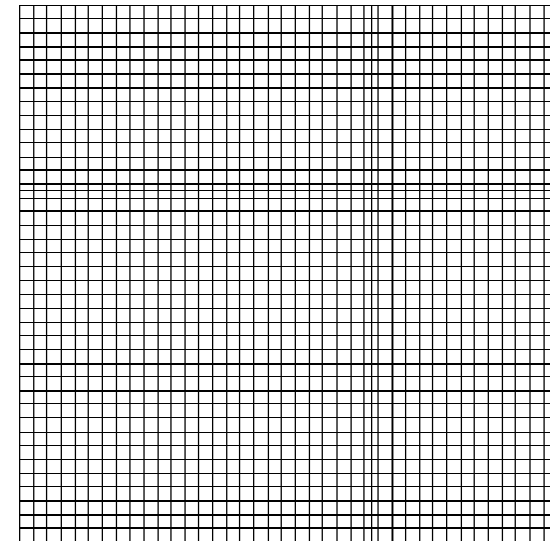
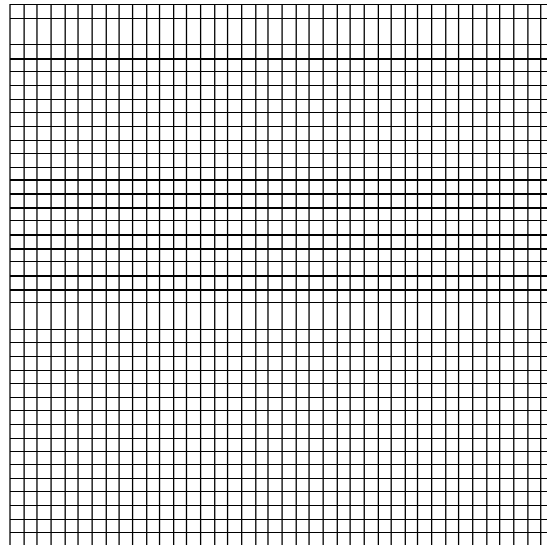
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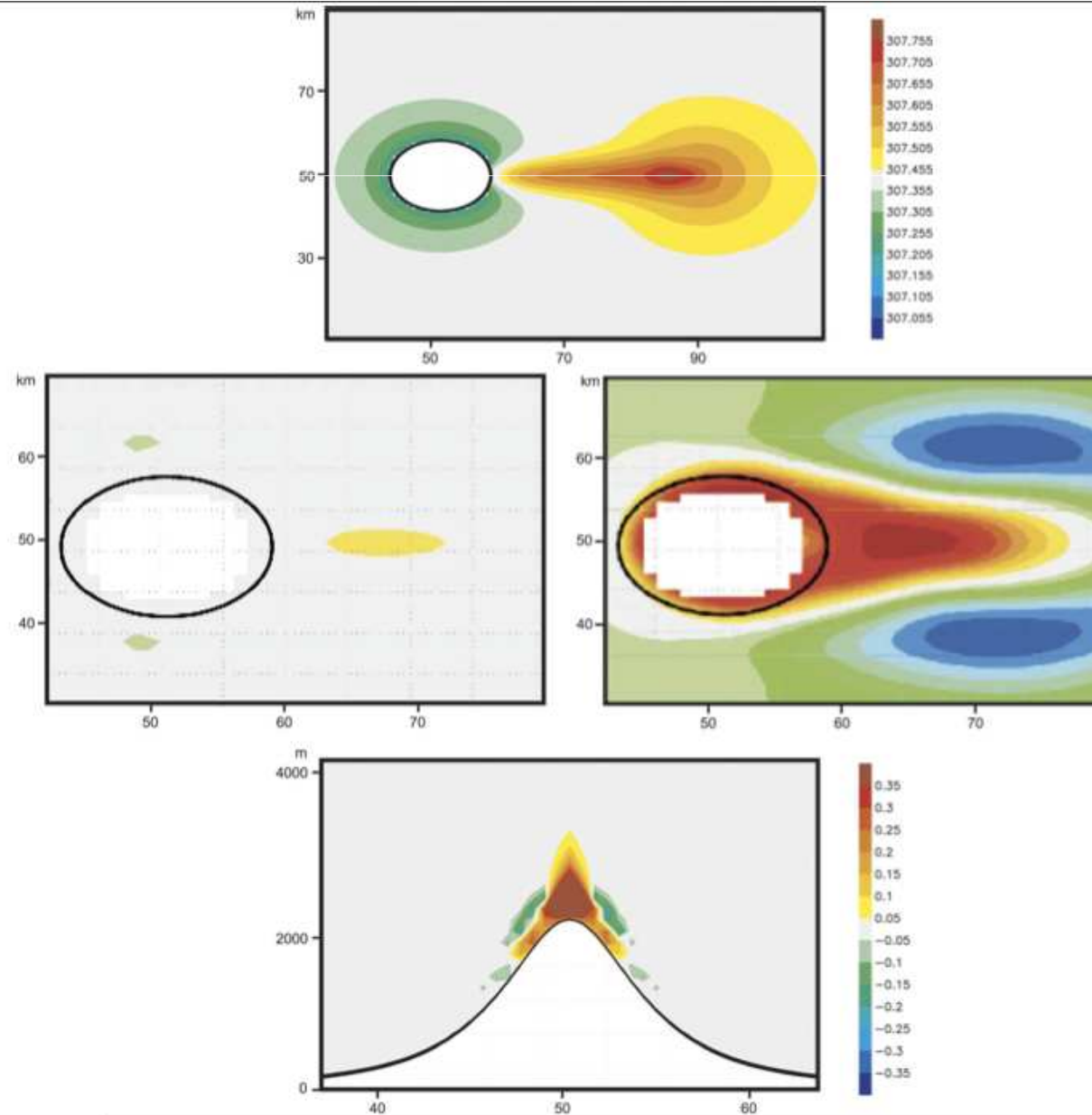
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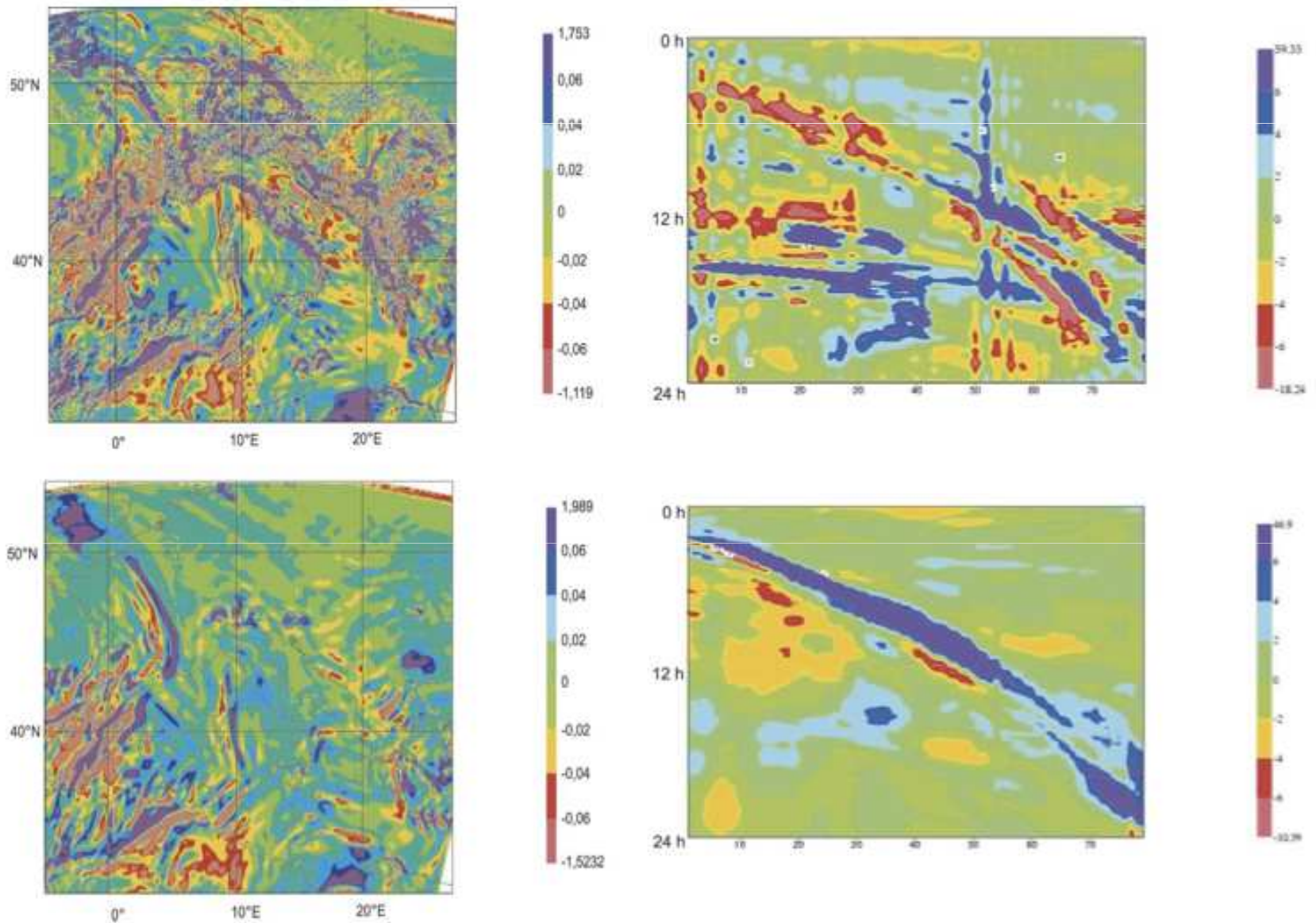
120 points  
In x and y



# Convection with dry stable atm. with terrain following coordinates



# Vertical velocities for t=12h and as time space diagram

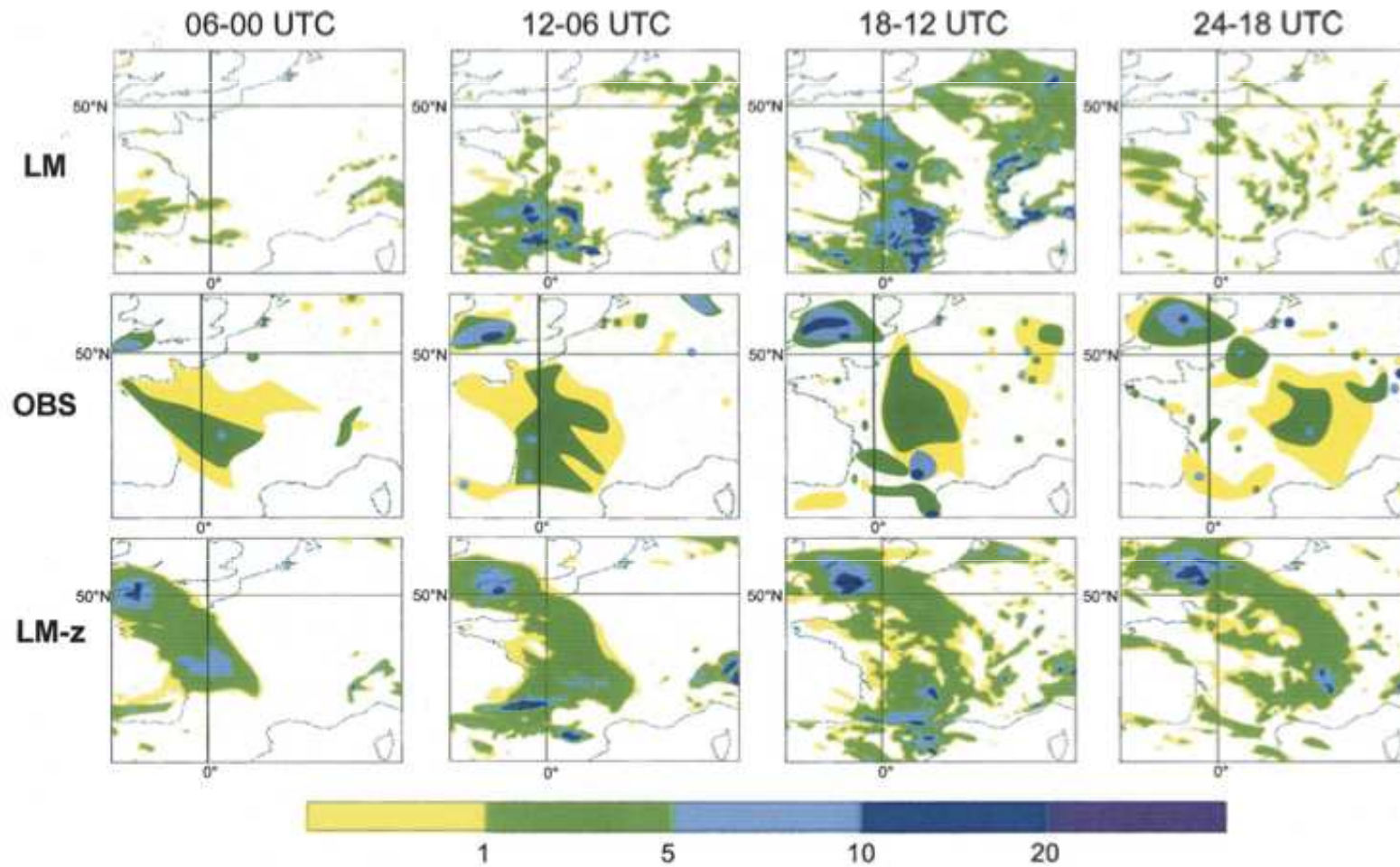


# Precipitation

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# A preliminary indication: Longer Range and Climate

- January 1989:
- 5-day forecasts,  $dx = 25$  km, large area
- ERA interim data for initial and lateral boundary values
- Old version of LM for control and LMZ
- Filtered orography for both LM and LMZ
- Same time step
- Special point: basic value 0 rather than .5 in Kessler scheme for moisture

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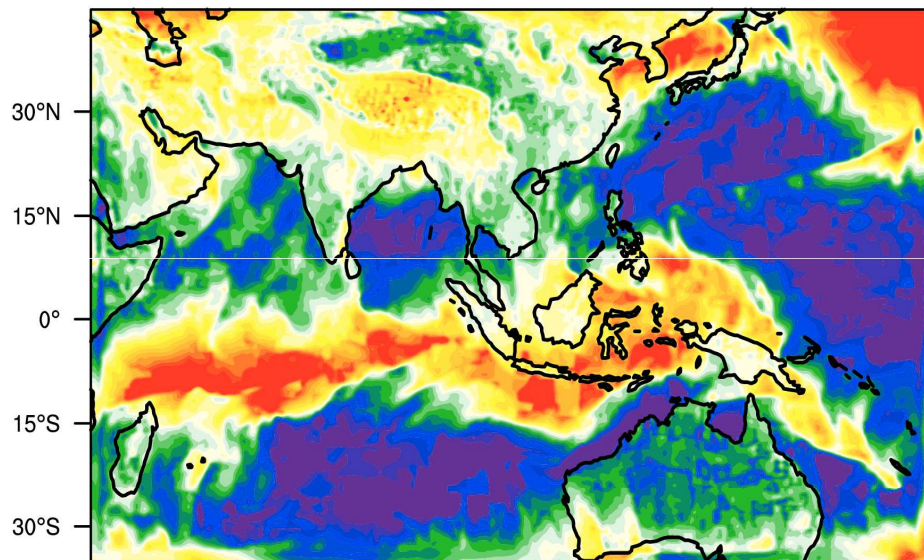
# U-velocities trade winds

U-10m (m/s)

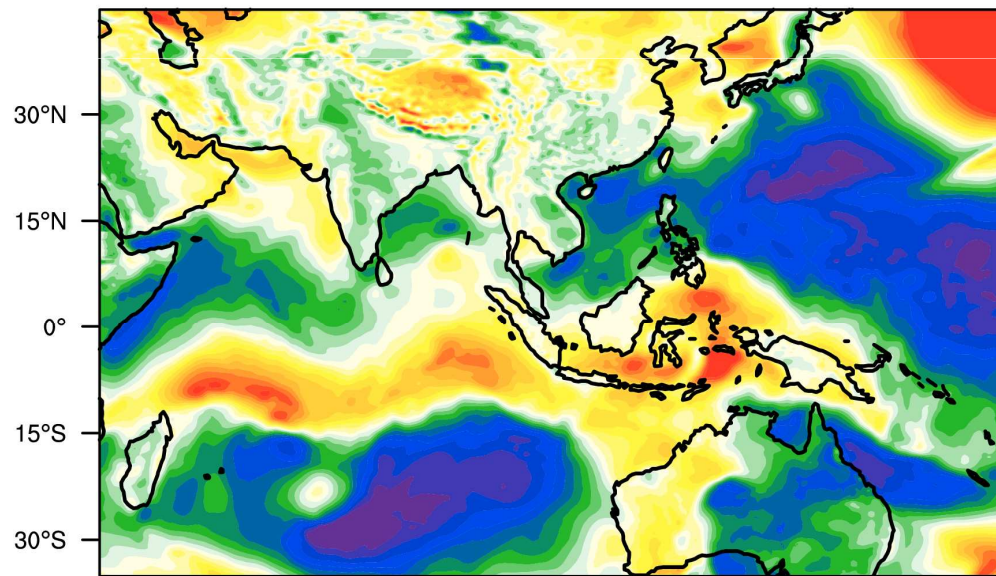
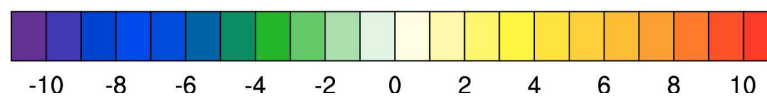
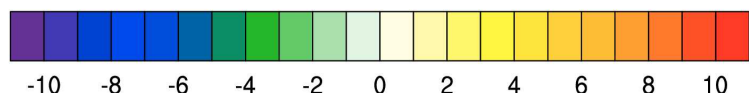
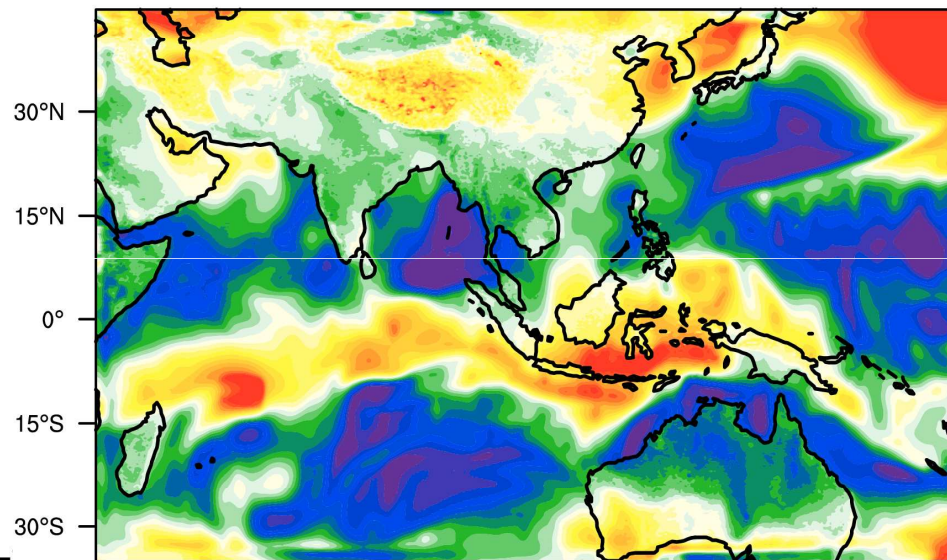
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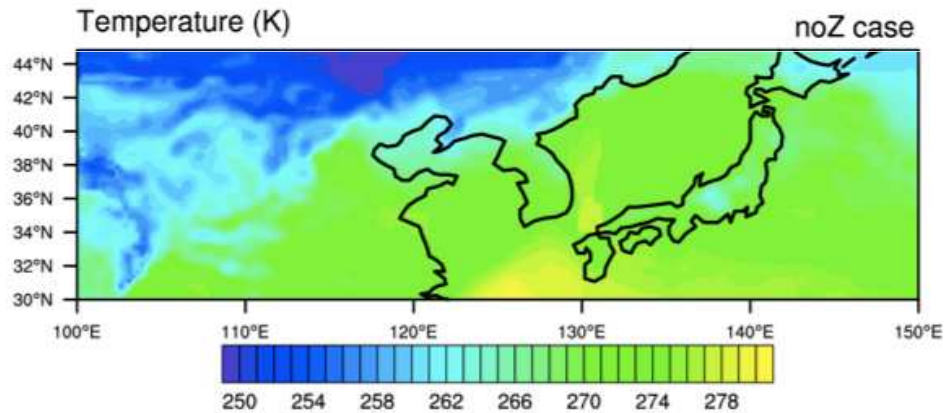


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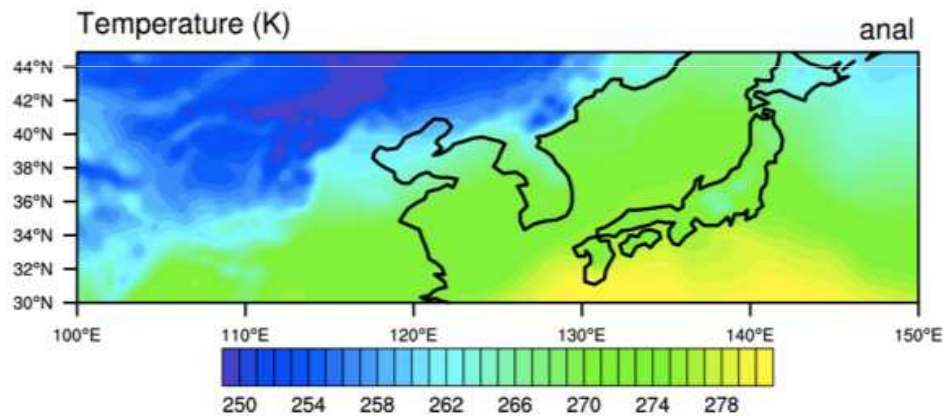
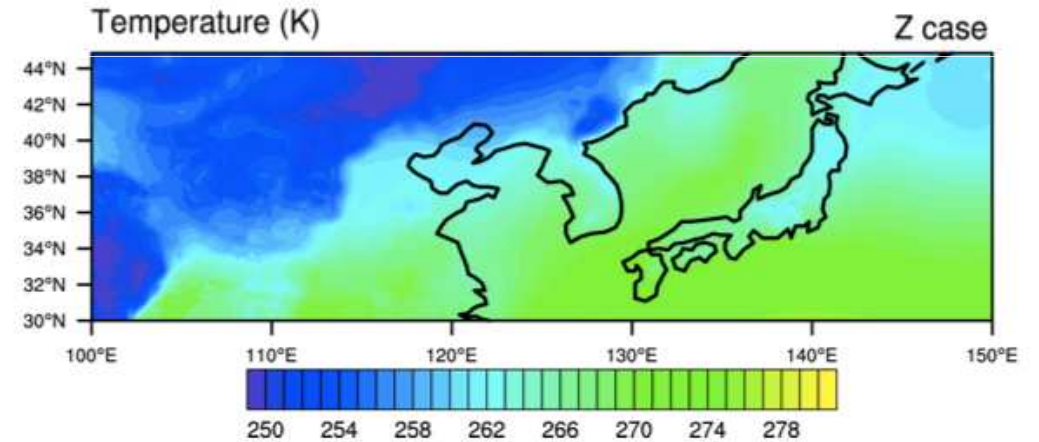


# Temperatures at level 20

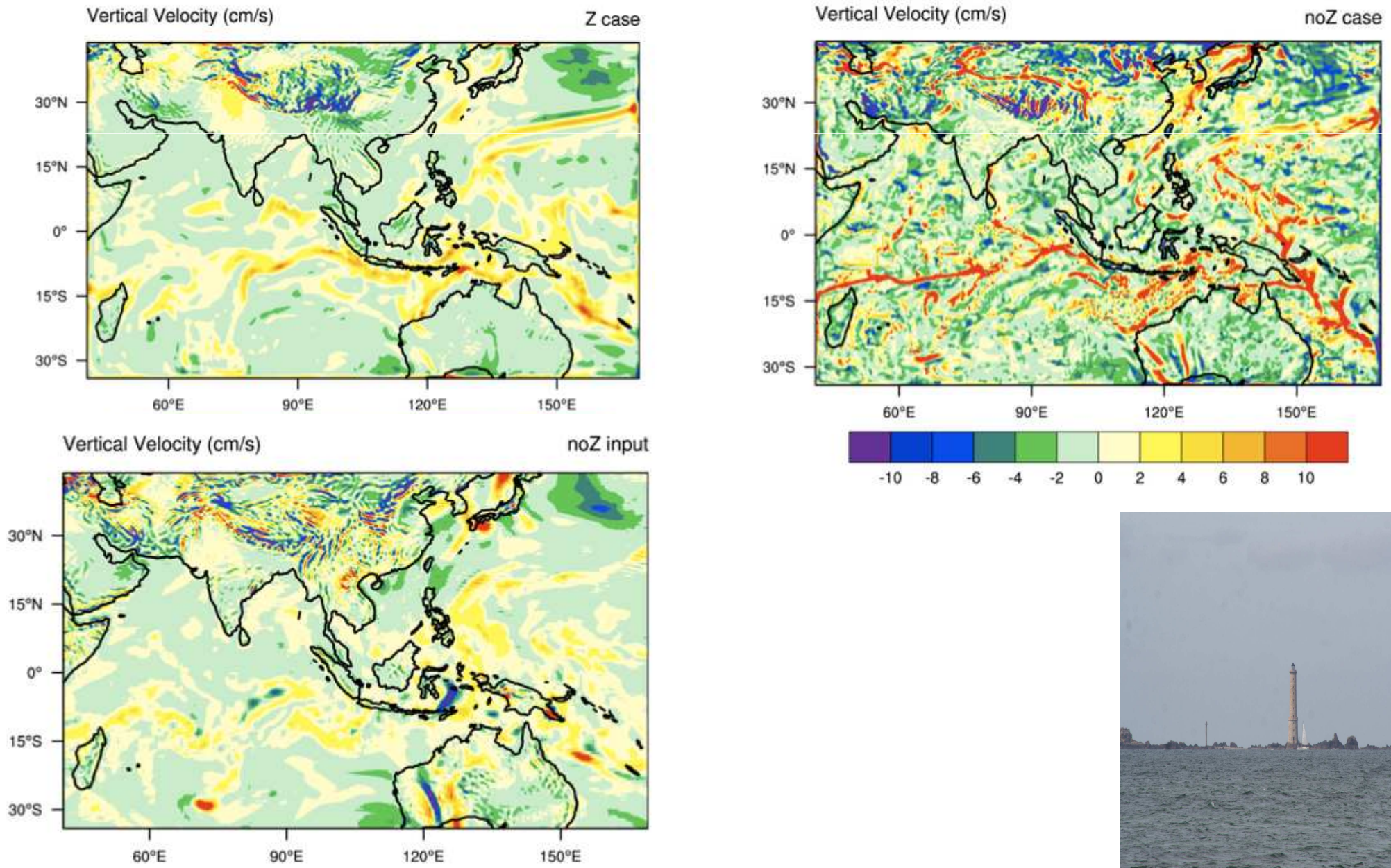
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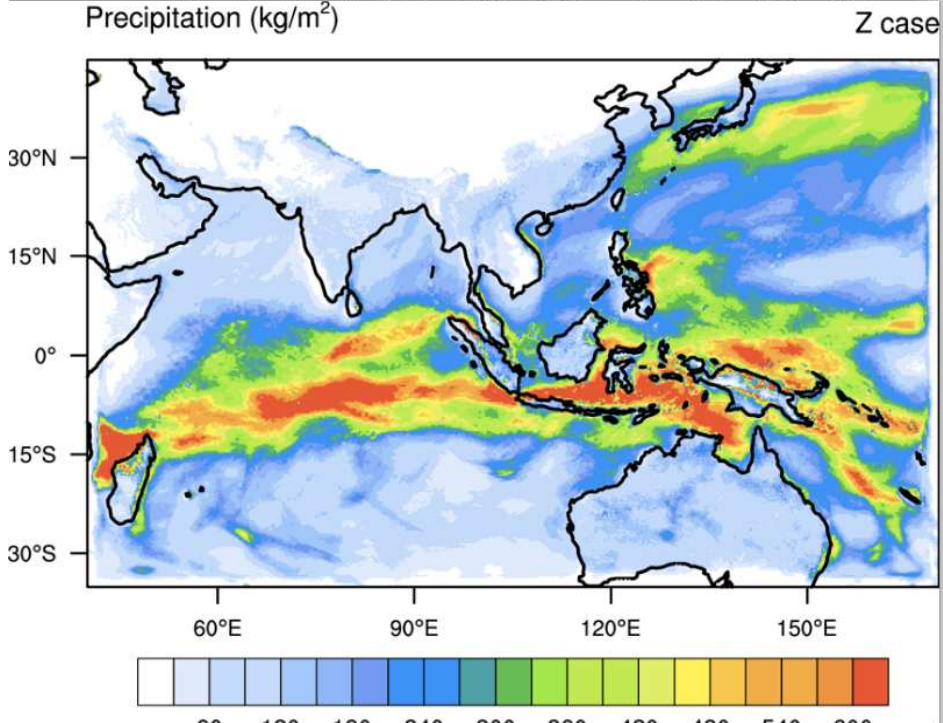
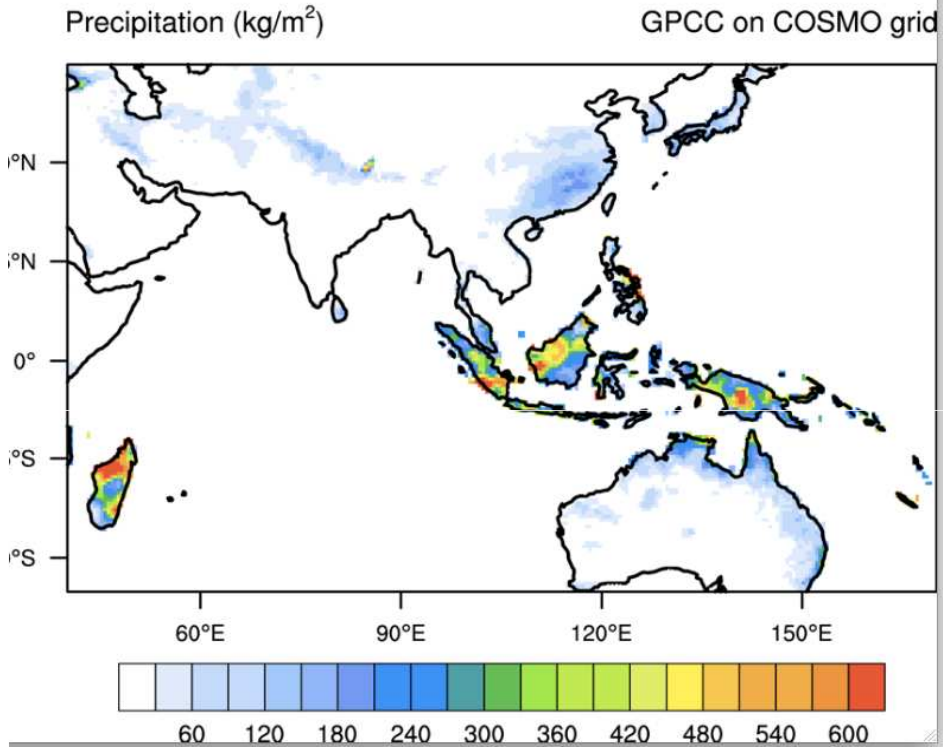


# 5 day forecasts of vertical velocities to 26 Jan 1989

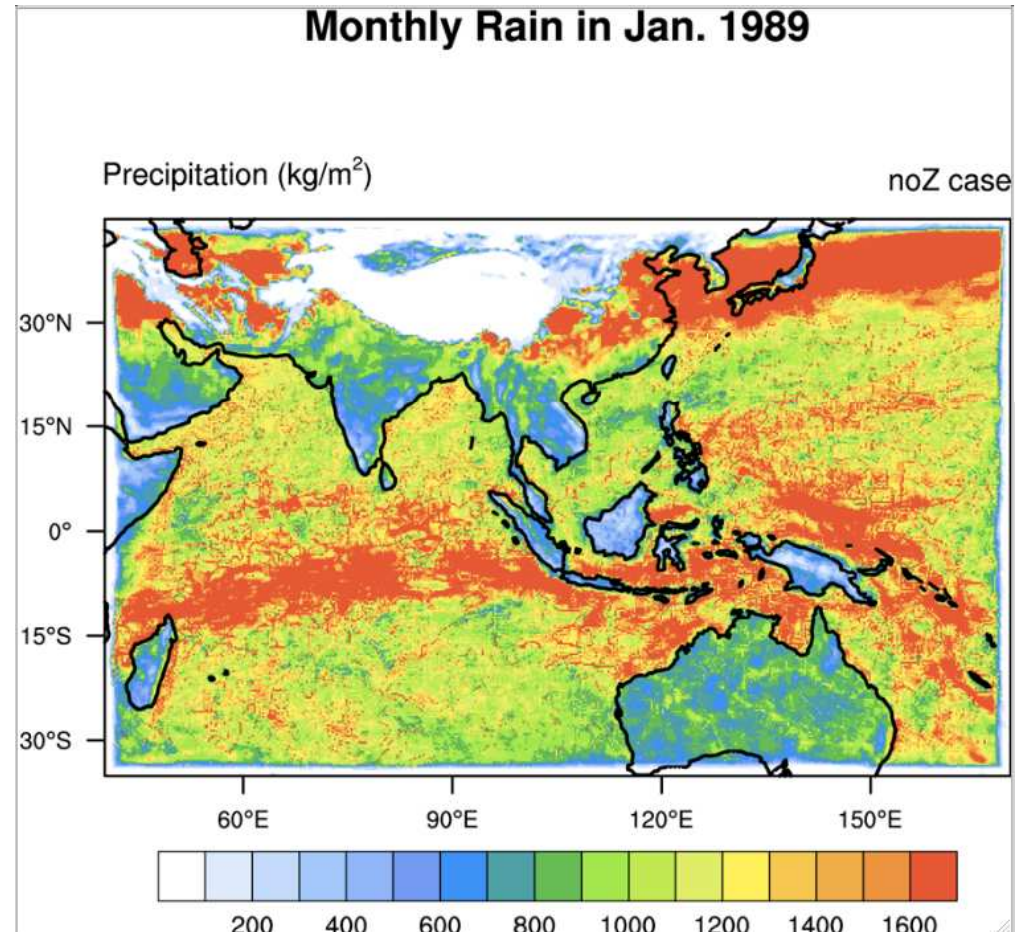




# Monthly Rain in Jan. 1989



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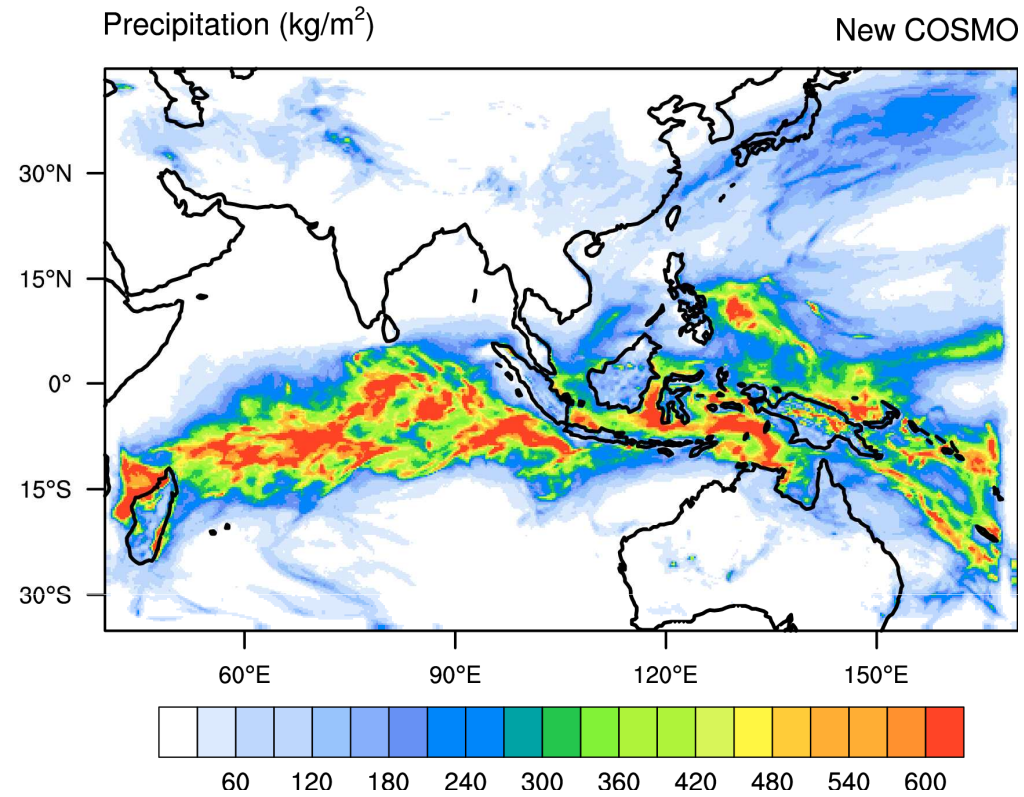


# The End, further questions welcome



# CLM-new

Monthly Rain in Jan. 1989



# Cut cell LMZ

- LMZ uses the cut cell finite volume method being 1st order near mountains: MWR (2006), **134**, pp 3626.
- Known deficiencies of terrain following coord., such as convection in stable conditions are avoided
- More work: **1.** Climatological testing **2.** Transition to second and third order **3.** Transfer to REMO

