

The role of High-Performance Computing for the Deep South National Science Challenge

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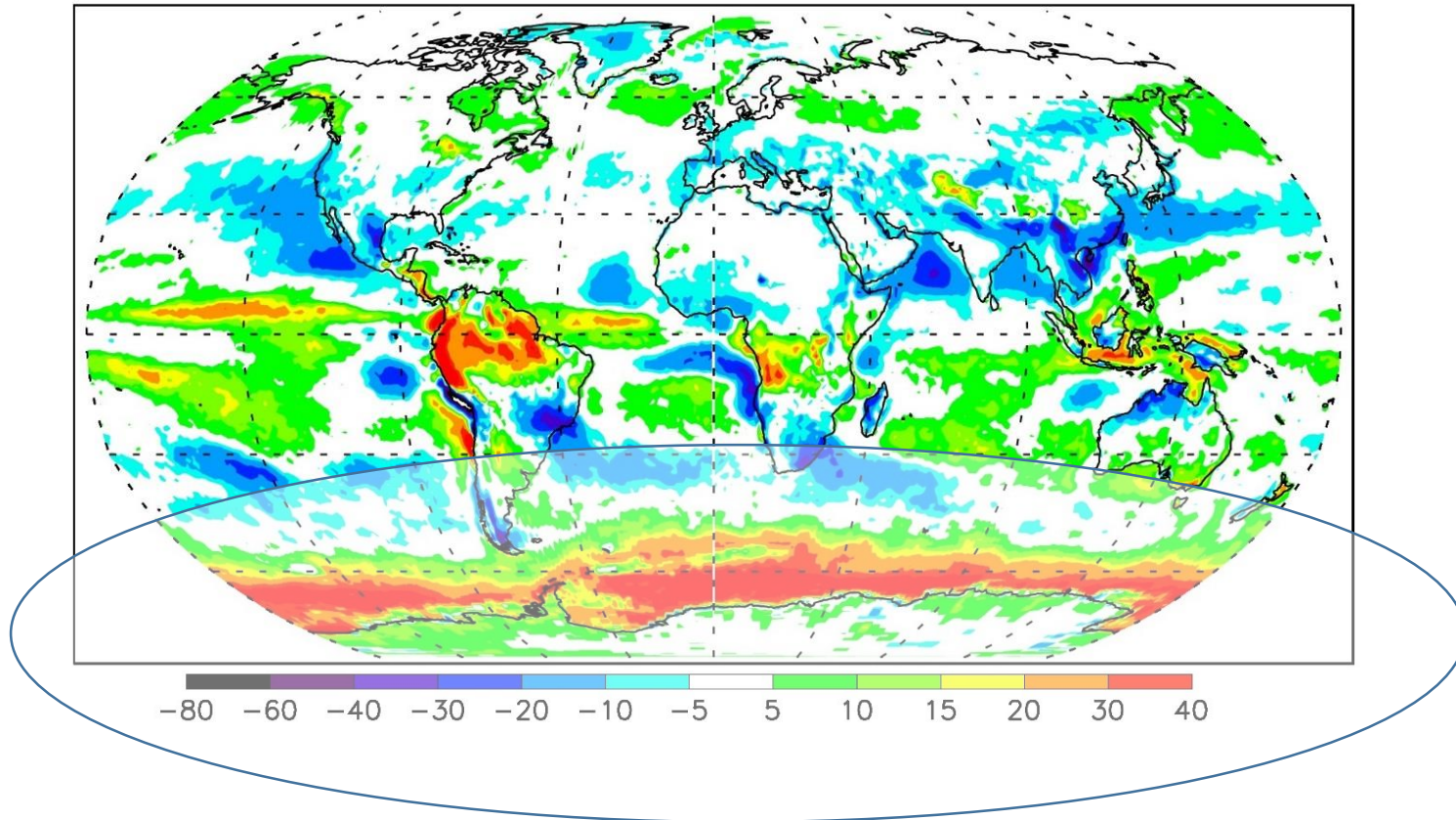
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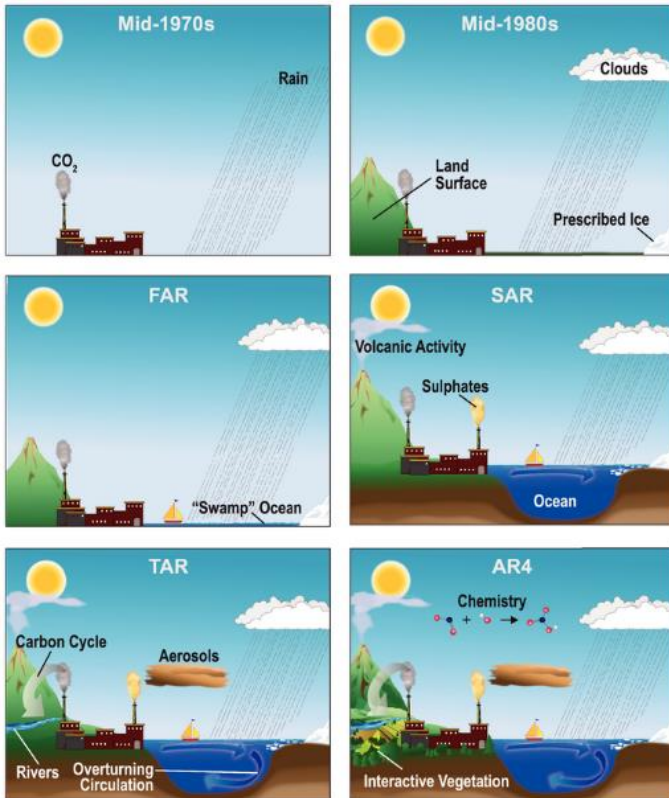
- Climate models poorly represent several processes determining Southern-Hemisphere climate.
 - Atmosphere
 - Ocean
 - Land- and sea ice
- Processes governing climate differ between the two hemispheres.
 - Industrial pollution
 - Terrestrial aerosols
 - Ozone depletion
- Observed climate change differs significantly between the two polar regions.
 - Arctic: Warming fast, receding sea ice
 - Antarctic: Some fast regional warming, expanding sea ice

Cloud-radiation error in UKCA RJ4.0

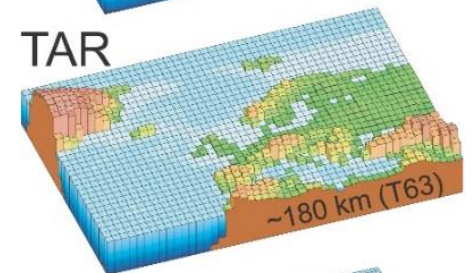
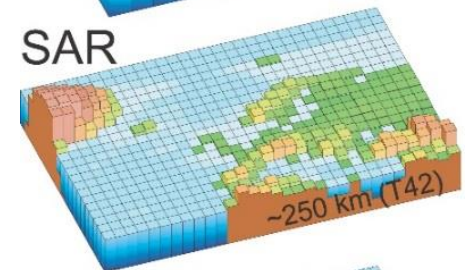
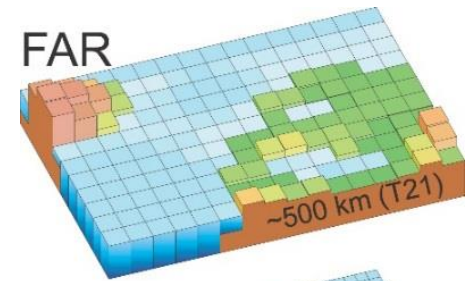


The Dilemma of Climate Modelling

The World in Global Climate Models

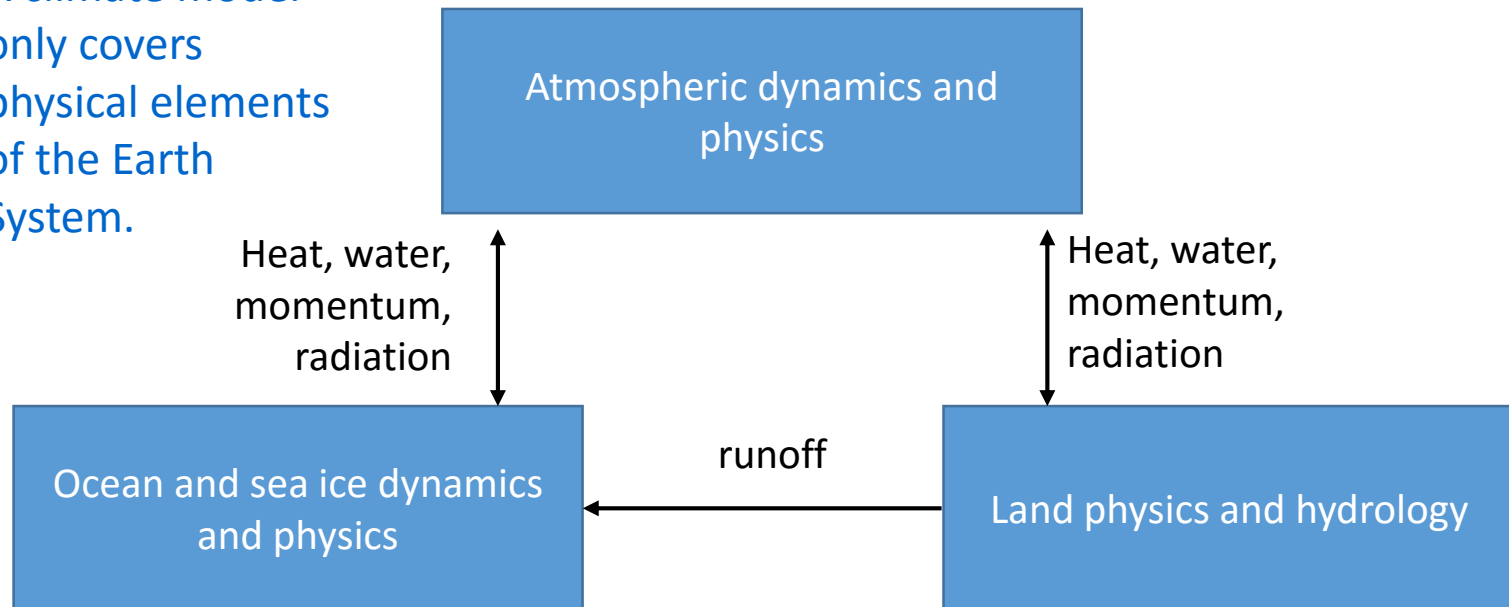


Dilemma of climate modelling:
Complexity vs
resolution vs **length**
and number of
simulations.
 (figures from IPCC AR4)



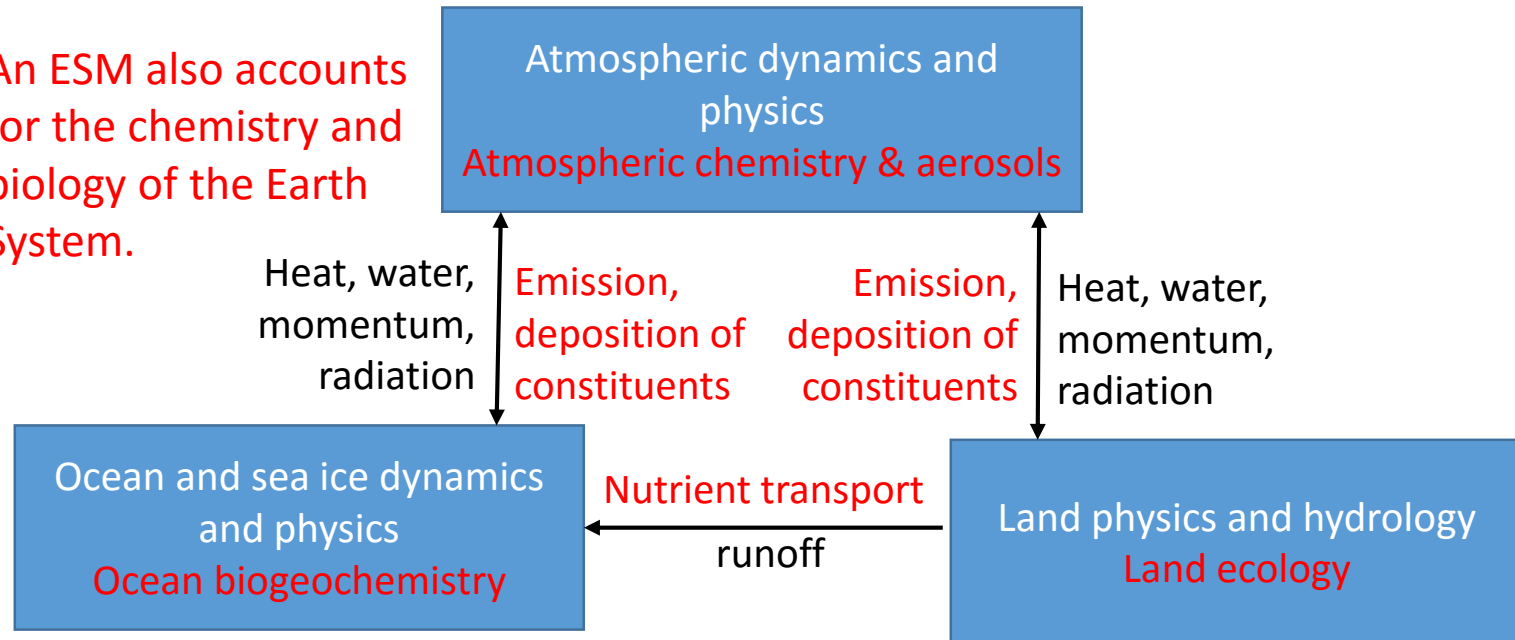
Schematic of a climate model

A climate model
only covers
physical elements
of the Earth
System.



Schematic of an Earth System Model

An ESM also accounts for the chemistry and biology of the Earth System.



The Deep South objective and mission

- **Objective:**

To understand the role of the Antarctic and Southern Ocean in determining our climate and our future environment.

- **Mission:**

This Challenge will enable New Zealanders to adapt, manage risk, and thrive in a changing climate. Working with our communities and industry, we will guide planning and policy to enhance resilience and exploit opportunities. This will be built on improved predictions of future climate, supported by new understanding of Antarctic and Southern Ocean processes.

The Deep South Challenge

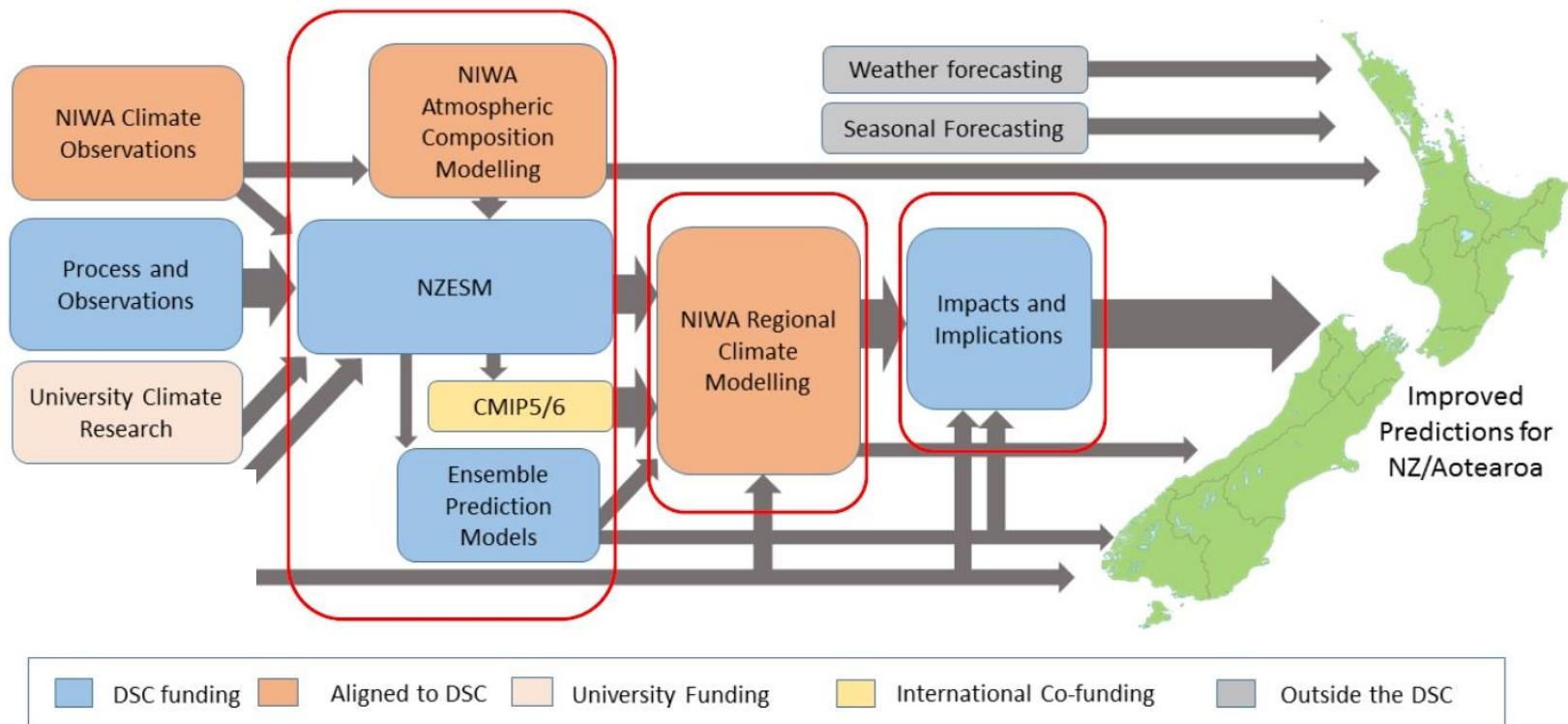
Improve predictions of our future climate based on:

developing a world-class Earth System Modelling capability, underpinned by improved understanding of Deep South processes, to better simulate key climate drivers and impacts; and, acquiring new observations and process information from the Deep South region as required to refine/support the models.

Research plan

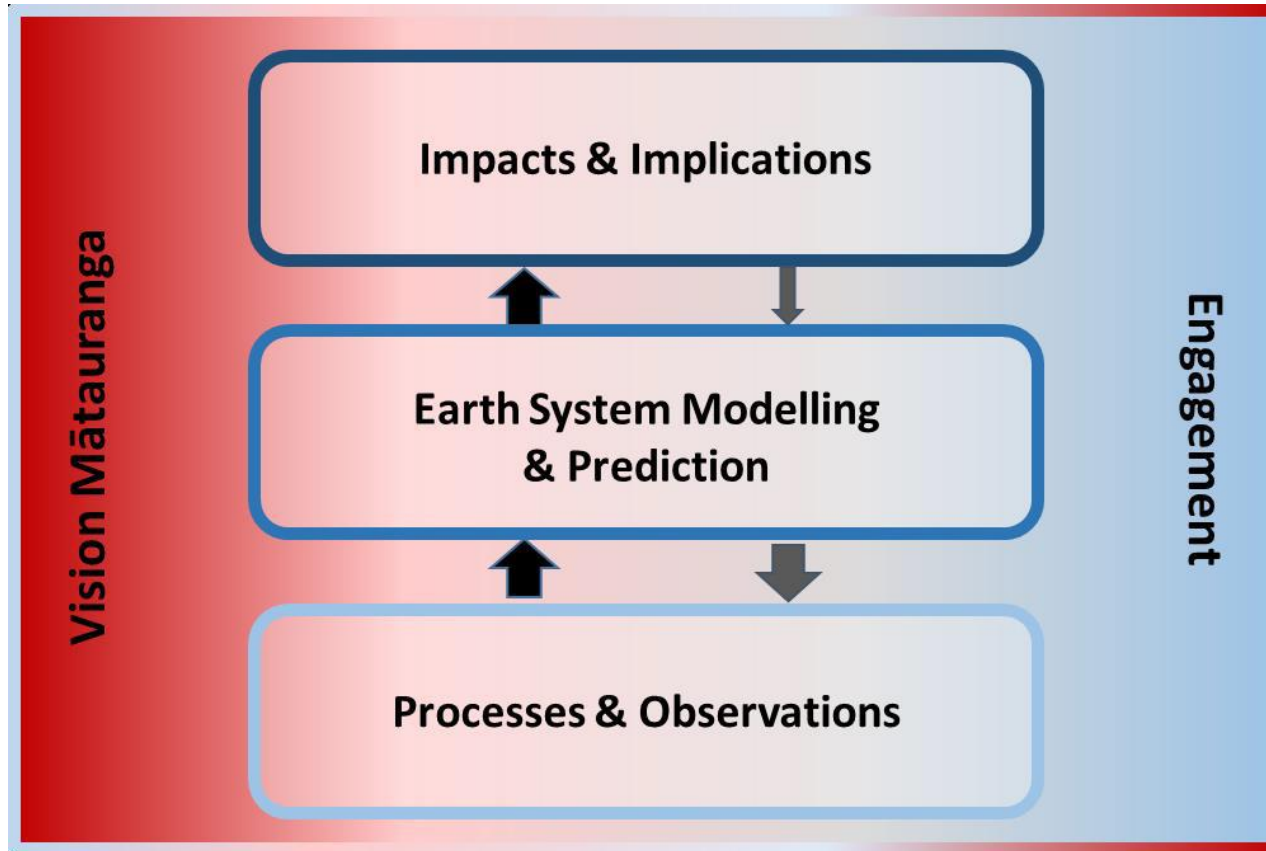
- **Develop a world-class numerical Earth System Model to predict New Zealand's climate.**
- The model will identify the impacts of a changing climate on our key climate-sensitive economic sectors, infrastructure and natural resources
- **The model will be informed by improved knowledge and observations of climate processes in the Southern Ocean and Antarctica.**

NZ's climate modelling landscape



Relationship of Deep South projects (blue) with other climate and weather modelling activities.

Deep South organization



Six projects in the ESMP and PO domains have been given the go-ahead.

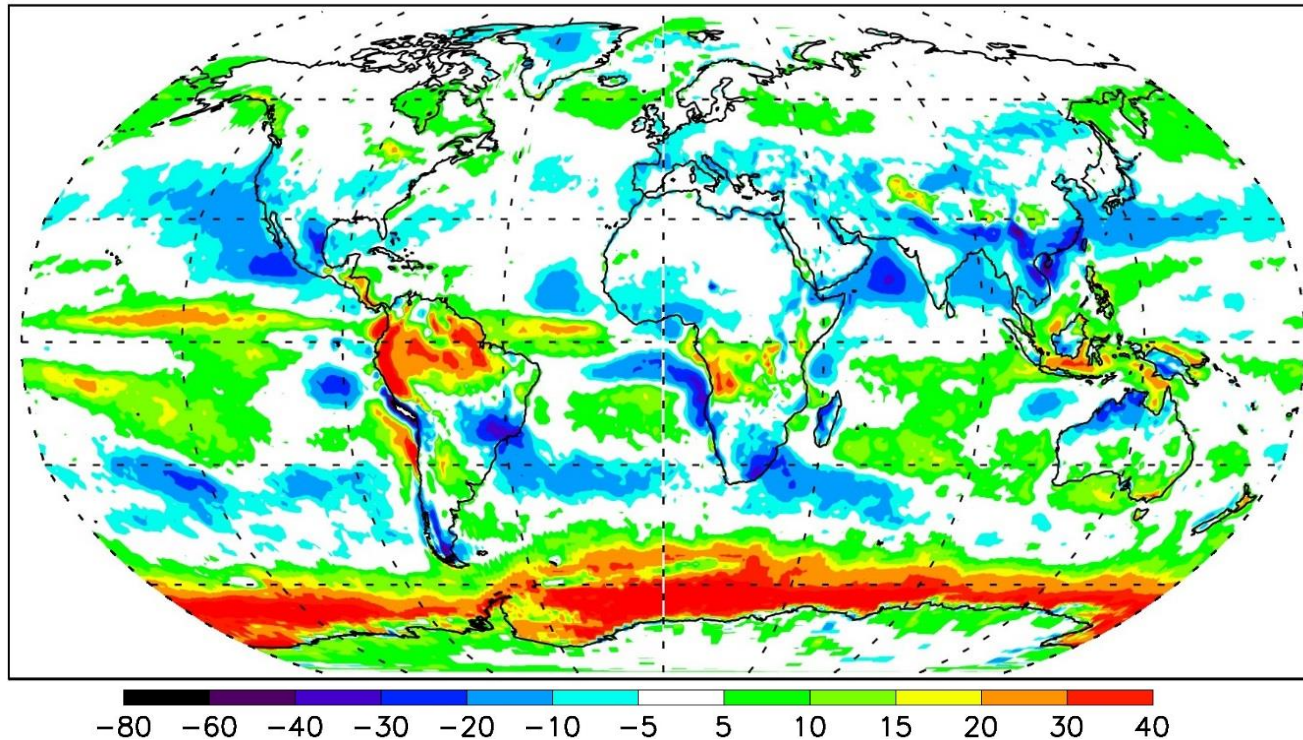
ESMP Project: “Capability”

- **Maintain and develop the NZESM**
- Contribute to the development of the UKESM
- **Close collaboration with the UKESM team**
- Coordination of model advances contributed by other Deep South projects
- **Keep up-to-date with UKESM versions and progress**
- CMIP6 simulations (depending on additional funding and supercomputer renewal)
- **CRESCENDO – EU project on development of Earth System Models**
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ESMP Project: Clouds & Aerosols

- Improve representation of Southern-Ocean clouds in UKESM (cloud physics, aerosols, boundary layer,...)
- **Dedicated ship- and land-based observations**
- Association with SOCRATES campaign
- **Modelling** Upscaling using satellite data
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Cloud-radiation error in UKCA RJ4.0



Cloud-radiative forcing bias at the top of the atmosphere (W/m^2) in UKCA RJ4.0 (UM 8.4) for DJF, relative to the CERES-EBAF satellite observations.

Relationship Met Office – Deep South National Science Challenge

- NIWA is now a Tier-1 UM ('core') partner
- The NZESM will be based on, evolve with, and feed back into the UKESM.
- We will focus on southern high-latitude processes (SO clouds, sea ice, ocean circulation).
- Observational datasets will be made available to the community.

Contribution to CRESCENDO and CMIP6

Geosci. Model Dev. Discuss., 8, 7541–7661, 2015
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This discussion paper is/has been under review for the journal Geoscientific Model Development (GMD). Please refer to the corresponding final paper in GMD if available.

- We are an Associate Partner in CRESCENDO.
- We would like to contribute to the ESMValTool.

ESMValTool (v1.0) – a community diagnostic and performance metrics tool for routine evaluation of Earth System Models in CMIP

V. Eyring¹, M. Righi¹, M. Evaldsson², A. Lauer¹, S. Wenzel¹, C. Jones^{3,4}, A. Anav⁵, O. Andrews⁶, I. Cionni⁷, E. L. Davin⁸, C. Deser⁹, C. Ehbrecht¹⁰, P. Friedlingstein⁵, P. Gleckler¹¹, K.-D. Gottschaldt¹, S. Hagemann¹², M. Juckes¹³, S. Kindermann¹⁰, J. Krasting¹⁴, D. Kunert¹, R. Levine⁴, A. Loew^{15,12}, J. Mäkelä¹⁶, G. Martin⁴, E. Mason^{14,17}, A. Phillips⁹, S. Read¹⁸, C. Rio¹⁹, R. Roehrig²⁰, D. Senfleben¹, A. Sterl²¹, L. H. van Ulft²¹, J. Walton⁴, S. Wang², and K. D. Williams⁴

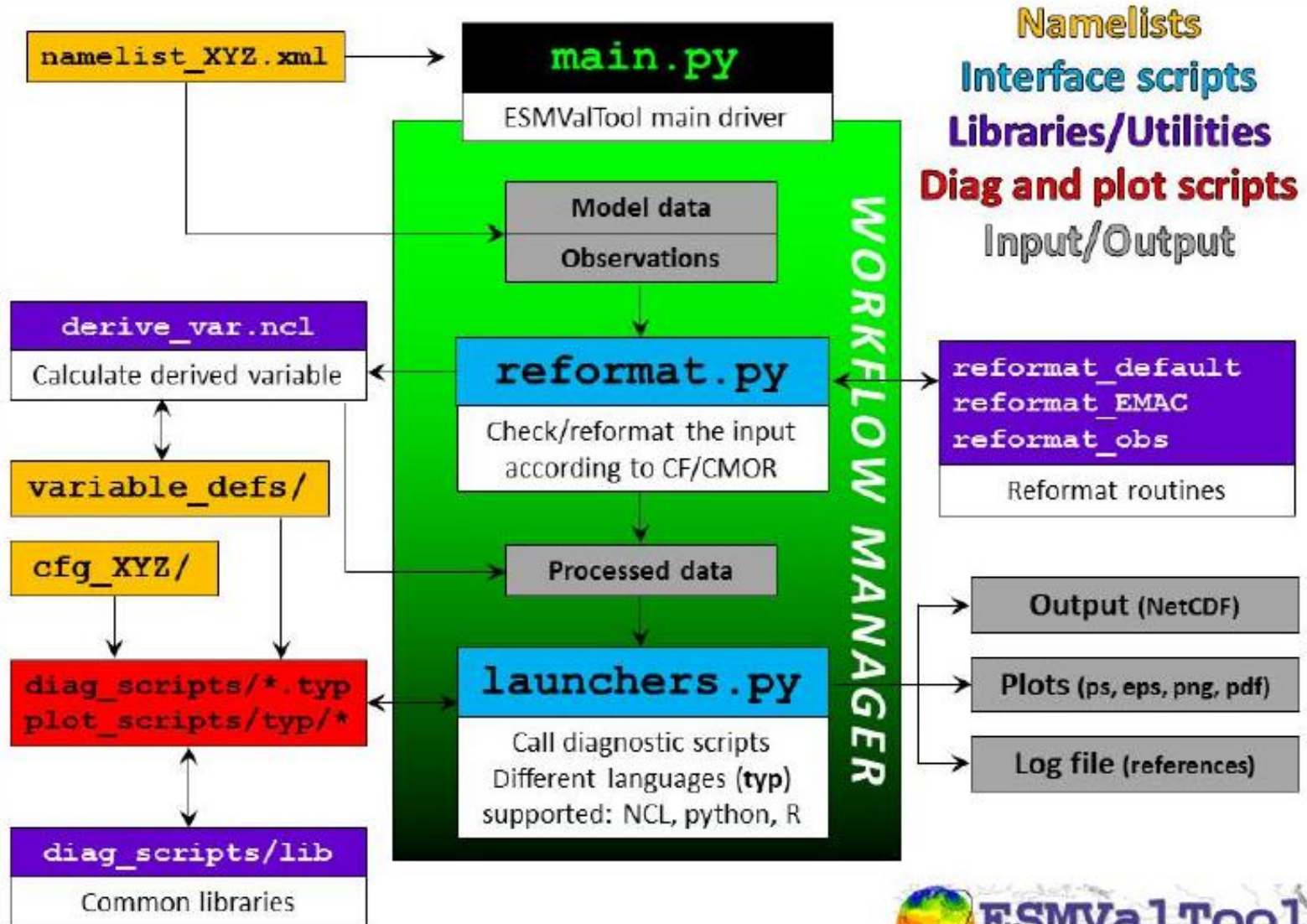
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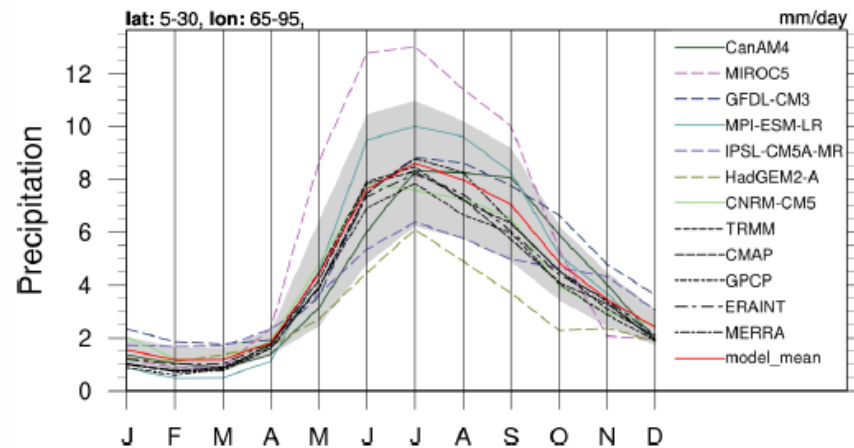
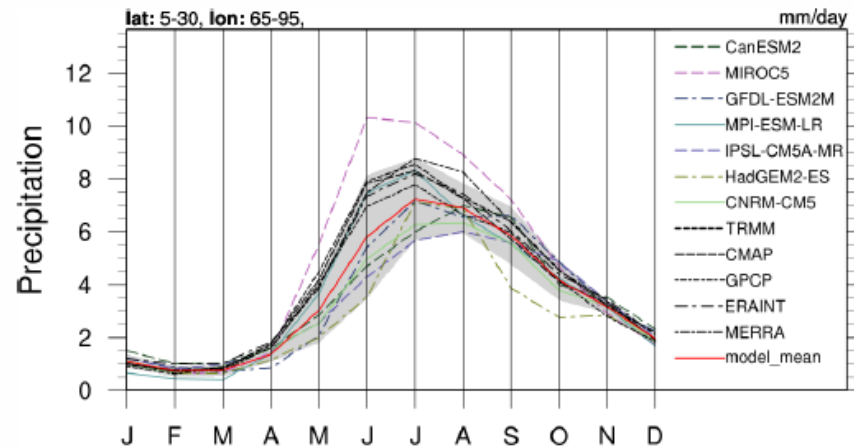
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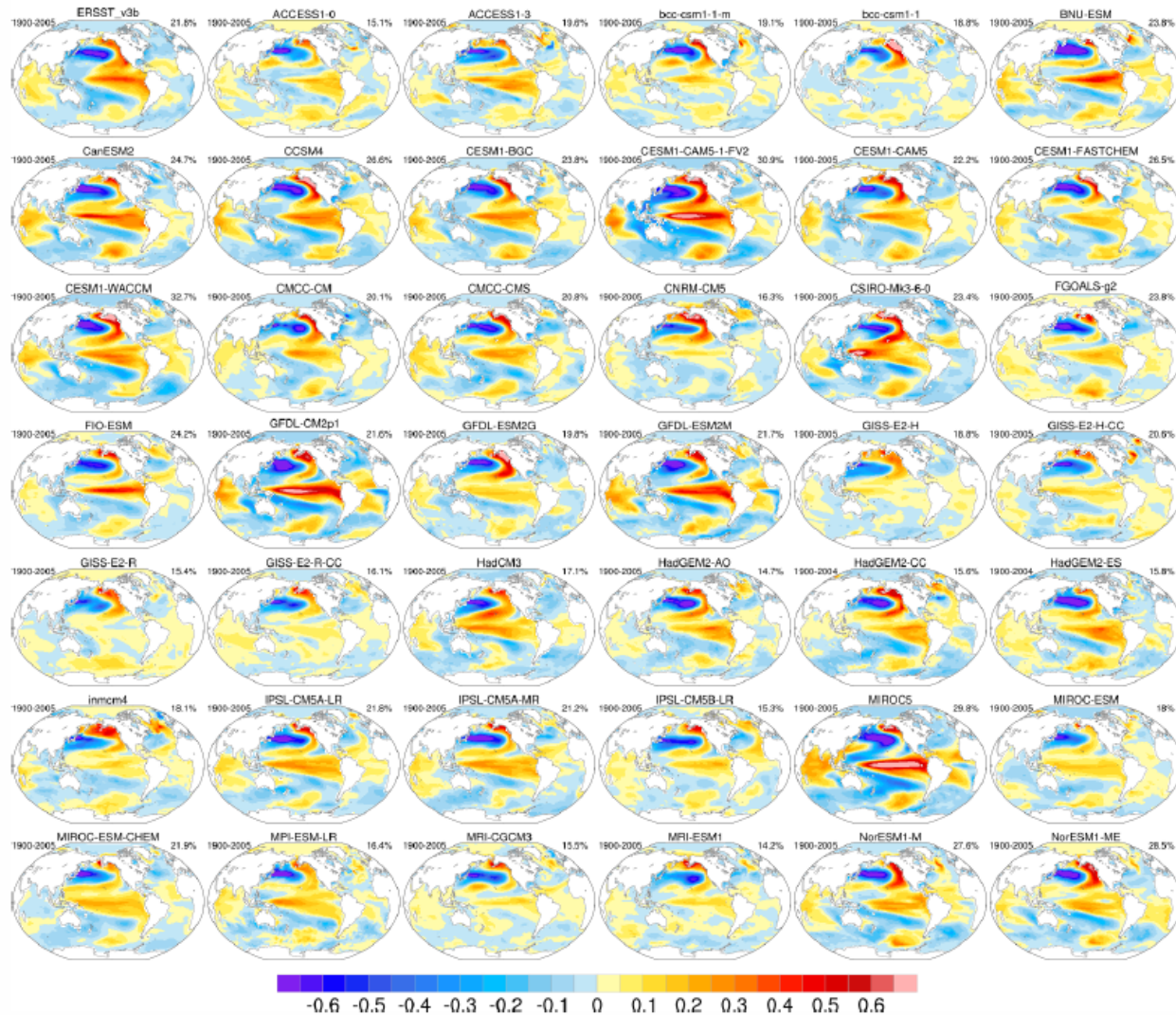


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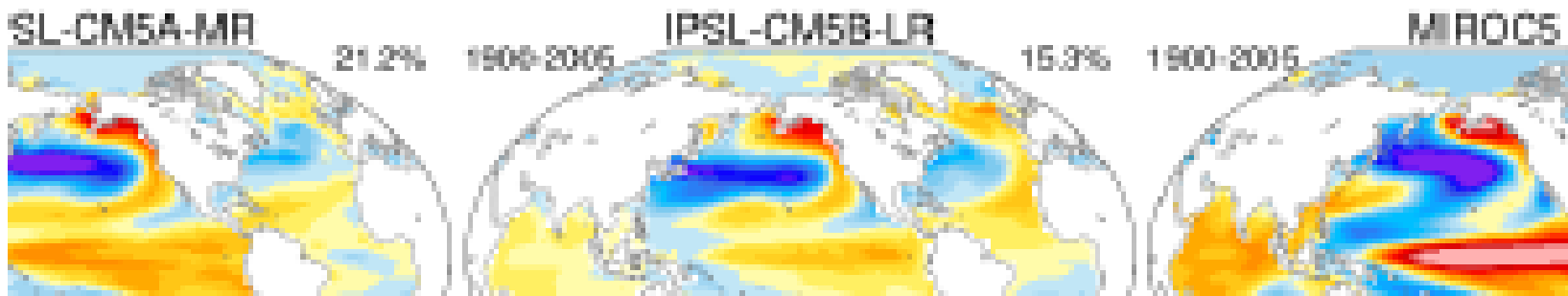
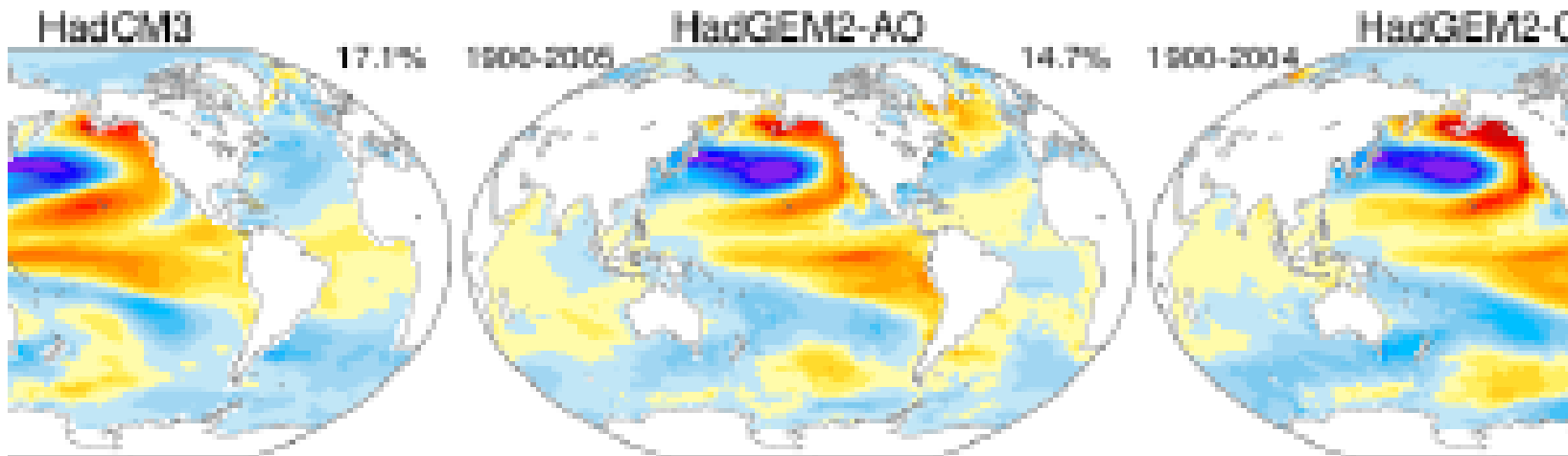
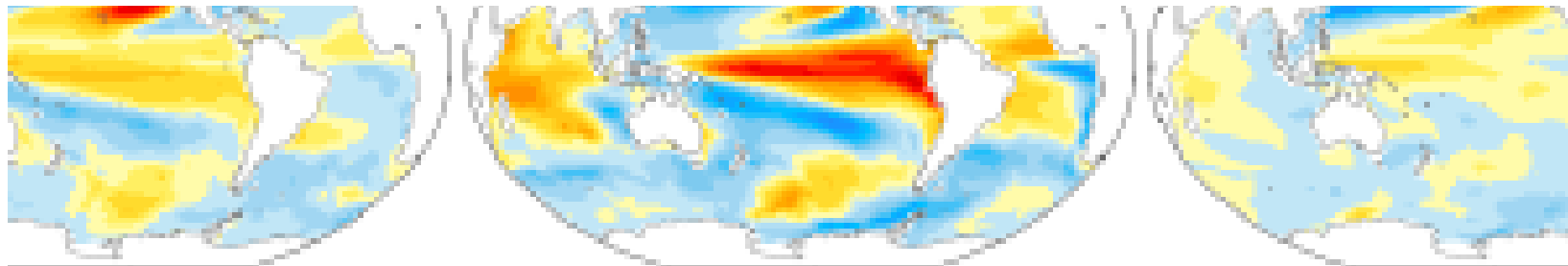


Pacific Decadal Oscillation

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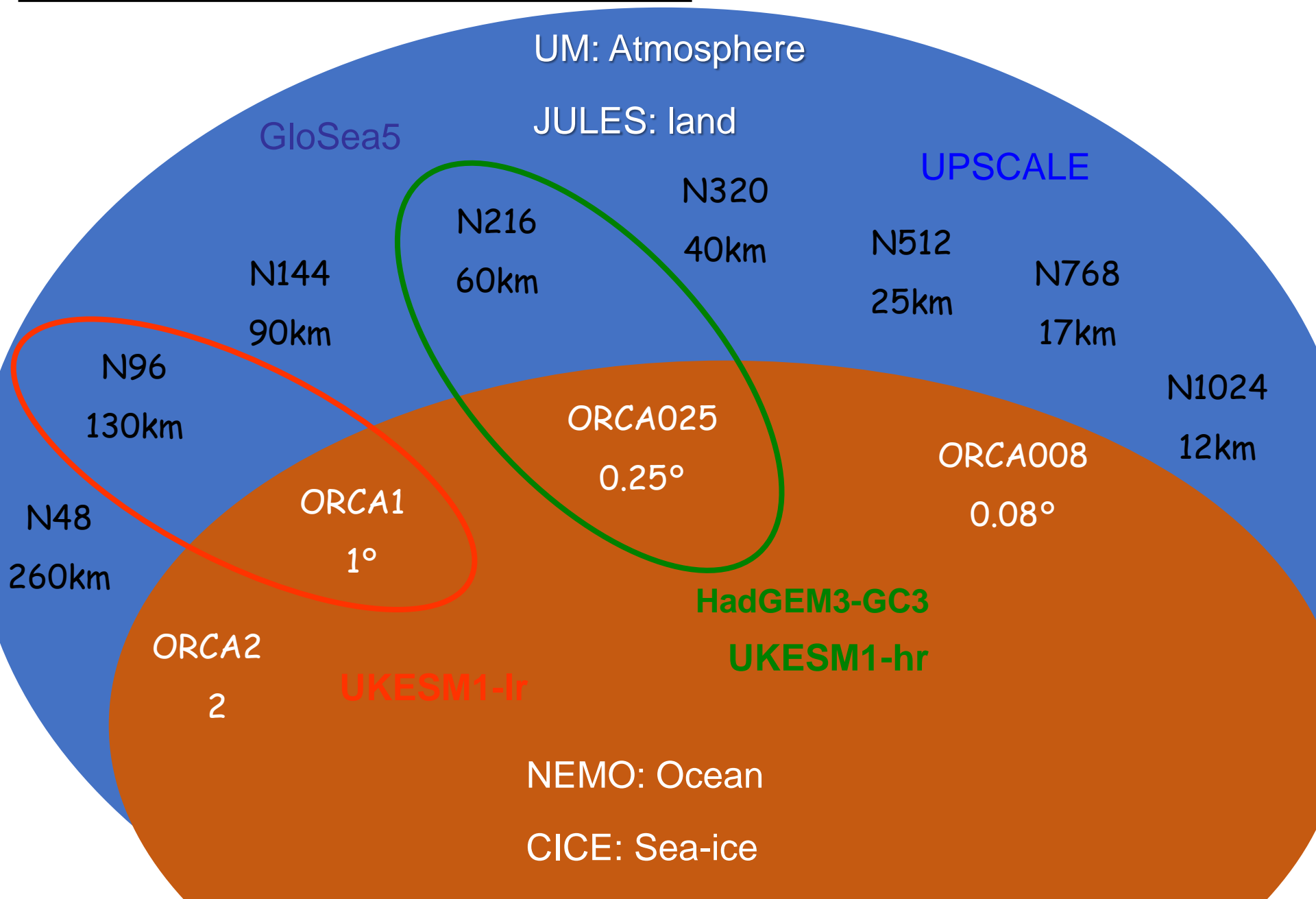
NESI Fitzroy – IBM Power 6

CPUs (or Cores) per node	32
Number of CPUs/Cores	3392
Total Memory (TBytes)	8.1
Total User Disk (SAS/SATA)(TBytes)	744.5

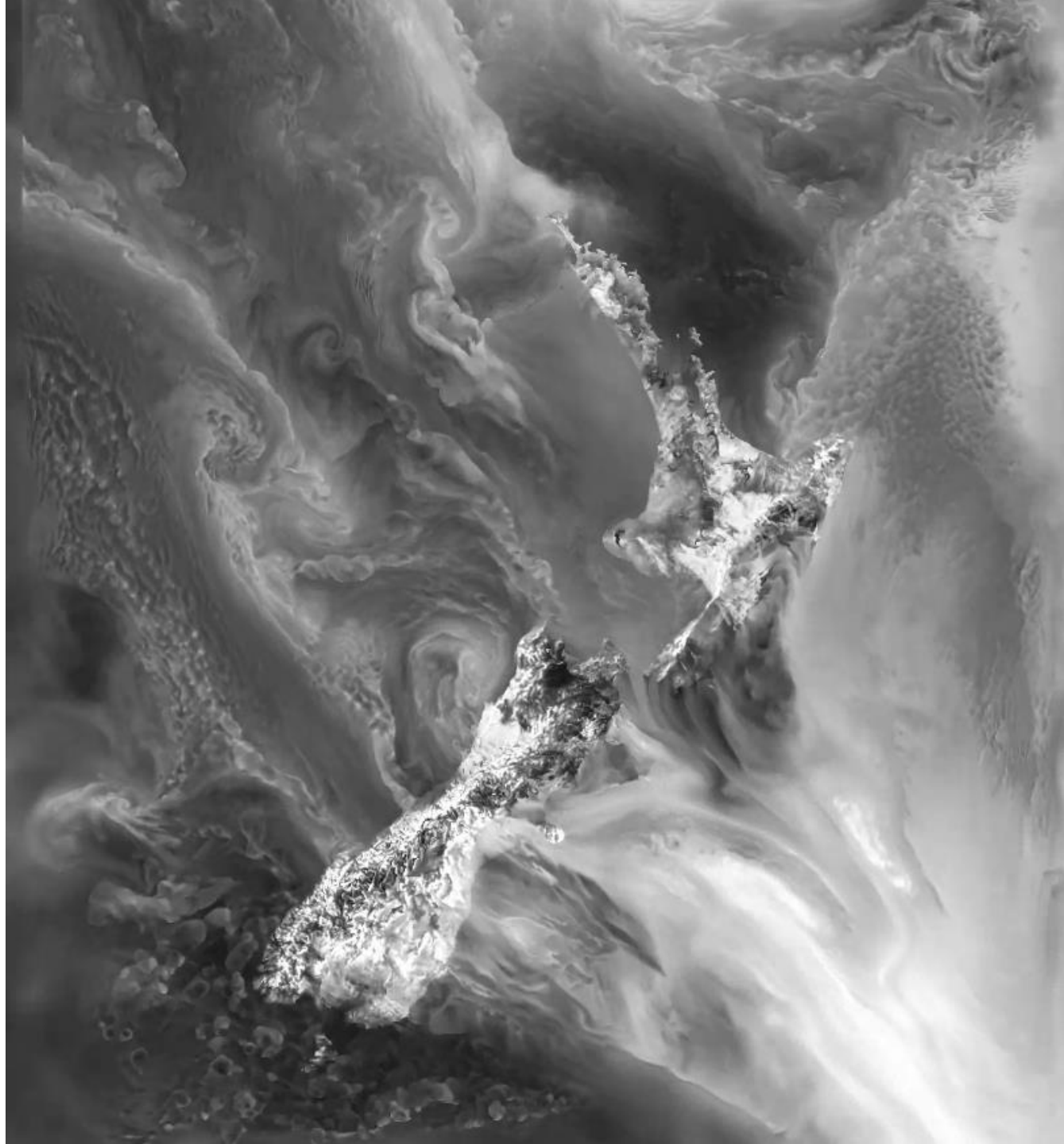


A current challenge is that the UKESM is built, run and maintained on a Cray HPC whereas NIWA currently runs an IBM machine...

Resolutions for UKESM1:



- Model or satellite observations?



Deep South Requirements for an ESM

- Deep South wants to do a small number of 200 year simulations – 1950 to 2150.
- To be useful these should take 6 months at most.
- This requires performance levels of around 1.5 model years per day

Performance on Fitzroy

- The full UKESM1-LO model will likely require on order 1000 PEs, but more than meet the desired target of 1.5 model years per day.
- The full UKESM1-HI model is likely to require 2000PEs and achieve only 1 model day/year. This represents 60% of the current capacity of Fitzroy so is likely unfeasible with current infrastructure.

But...

- The model components are essentially plug and play via the coupler so configurations can be made to suit the science questions being asked.
- Work is being done to calculate chemistry on a low resolution grid while dynamics calculated the full resolution grid. This functionality is likely to be available in UKESM2. Many other optimisations are planned.

International collaborations

- NIWA is a Core Partner of the Unified Model (UM) development consortium



Australian Government
Bureau of Meteorology

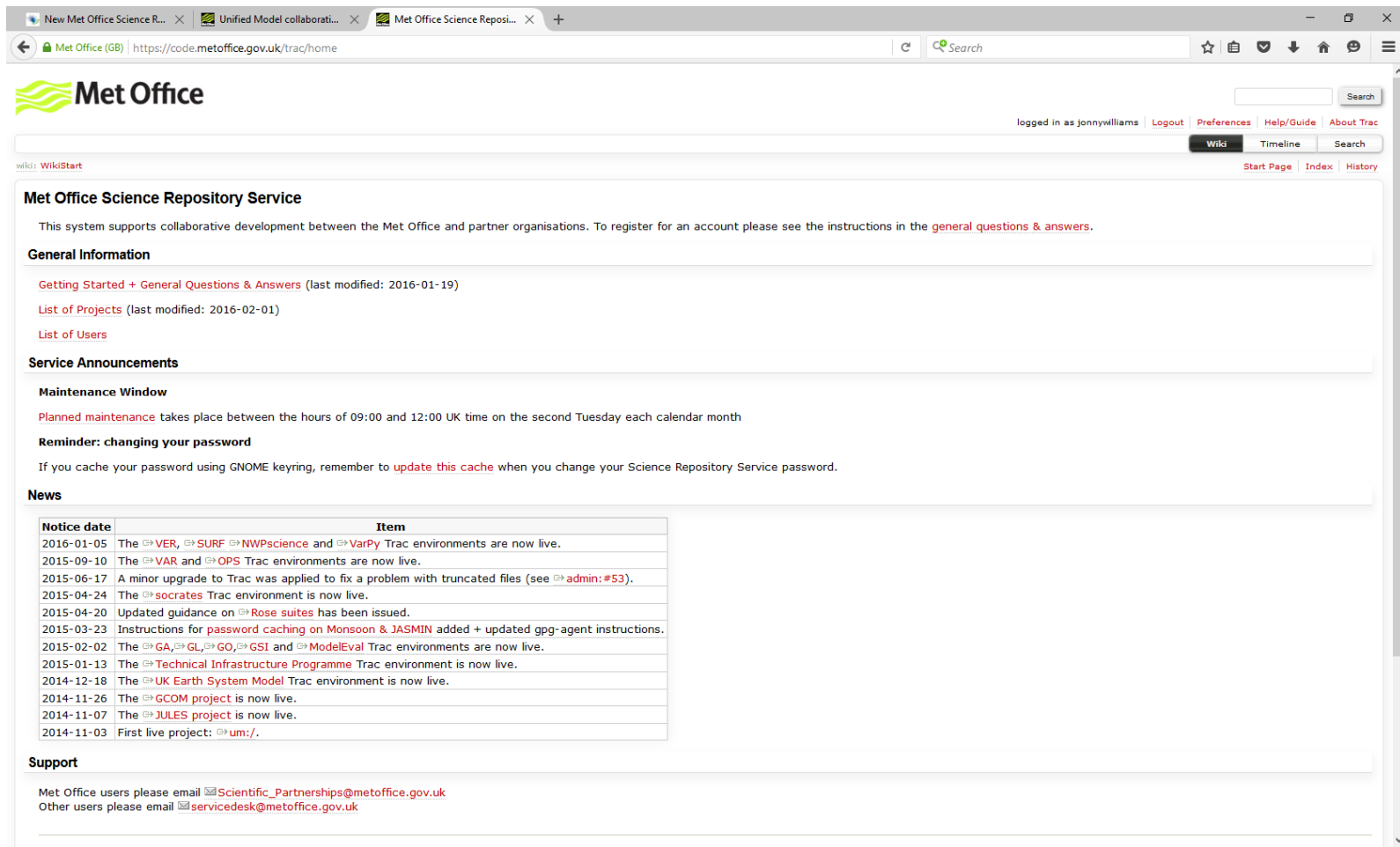
Collaboration for Australian
Weather and Climate Research

A research partnership between CSIRO and the Australian Bureau of Meteorology



Use of MOSRS

- MOSRS is the Met Office Science Repository Service



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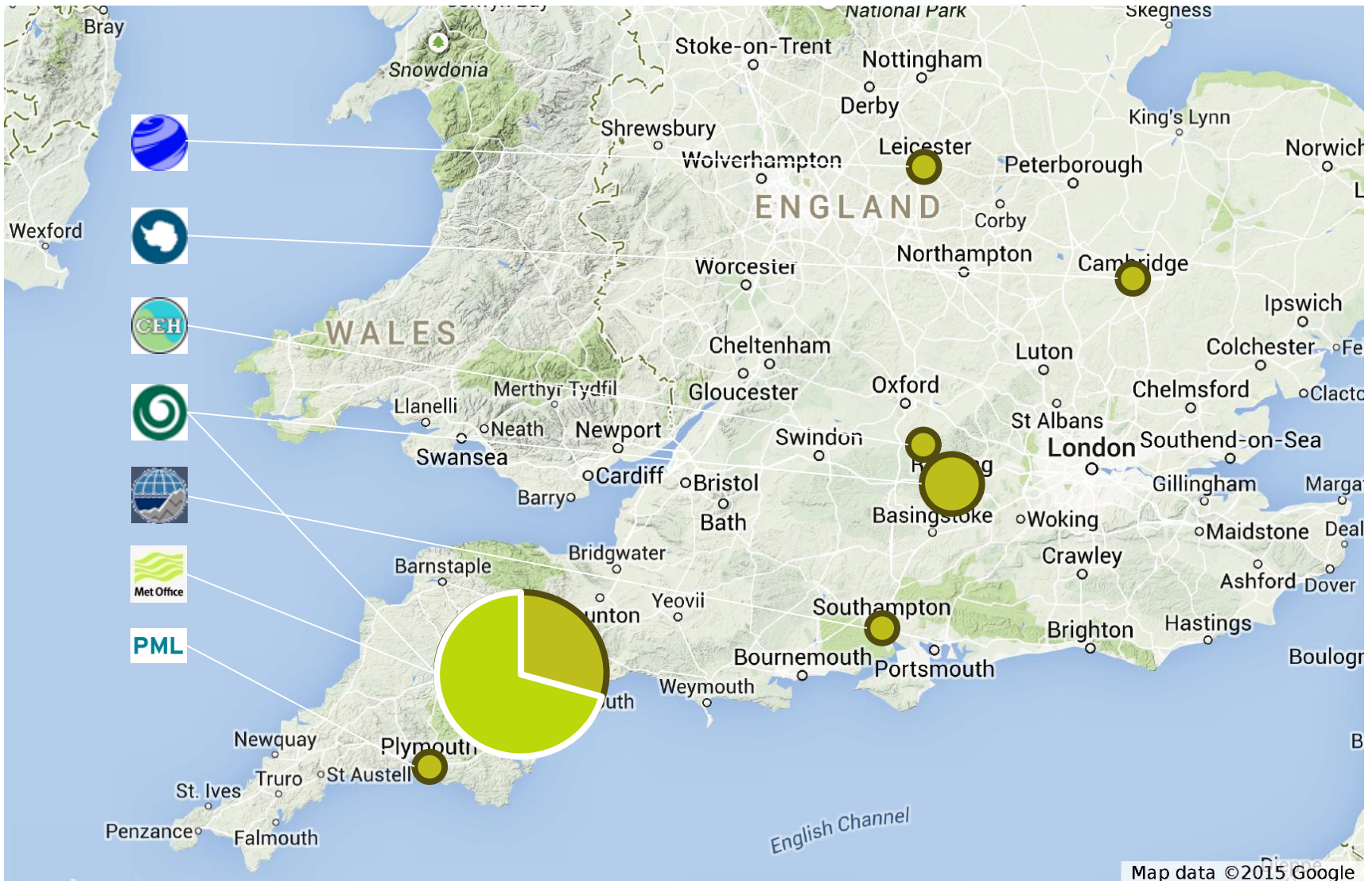
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MOSRS

- Use of a shared code repository is a game-changer
- It enables real-time collaboration
 - Patches, bug fixes and 'suites' can be instantly shared between colleagues irrespective of location
- Provides a powerful tool for backing up code centrally
 - Once code has been edited to the satisfaction of the coder and committed to the repository, any local copies can be safely deleted
- Work is currently underway to make suites site-independent to further accelerate collaboration

UKESM core team



Rose & Cylc

- Climate models are made of many different components, for example:
 - Code compilation.
 - Running the model physics.
 - Archiving.
 - Checking results against ‘known good output’.
- It is important that these tasks are scheduled to take place not only in the correct order, but also to enable them to be re-scheduled should one task fail, for example.

Rose & Cylc

- These tasks are managed through the open-source tools Rose and Cylc.
- Rose is managed through the UK Met Office
 - <https://github.com/metomi/rose>
- Cylc is written and developed by NIWA
 - <http://cylc.github.io/cylc/>
- The combination of Rose and Cylc provide an intuitive visual editing system for meteorological suites.



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- l_murk_conv false
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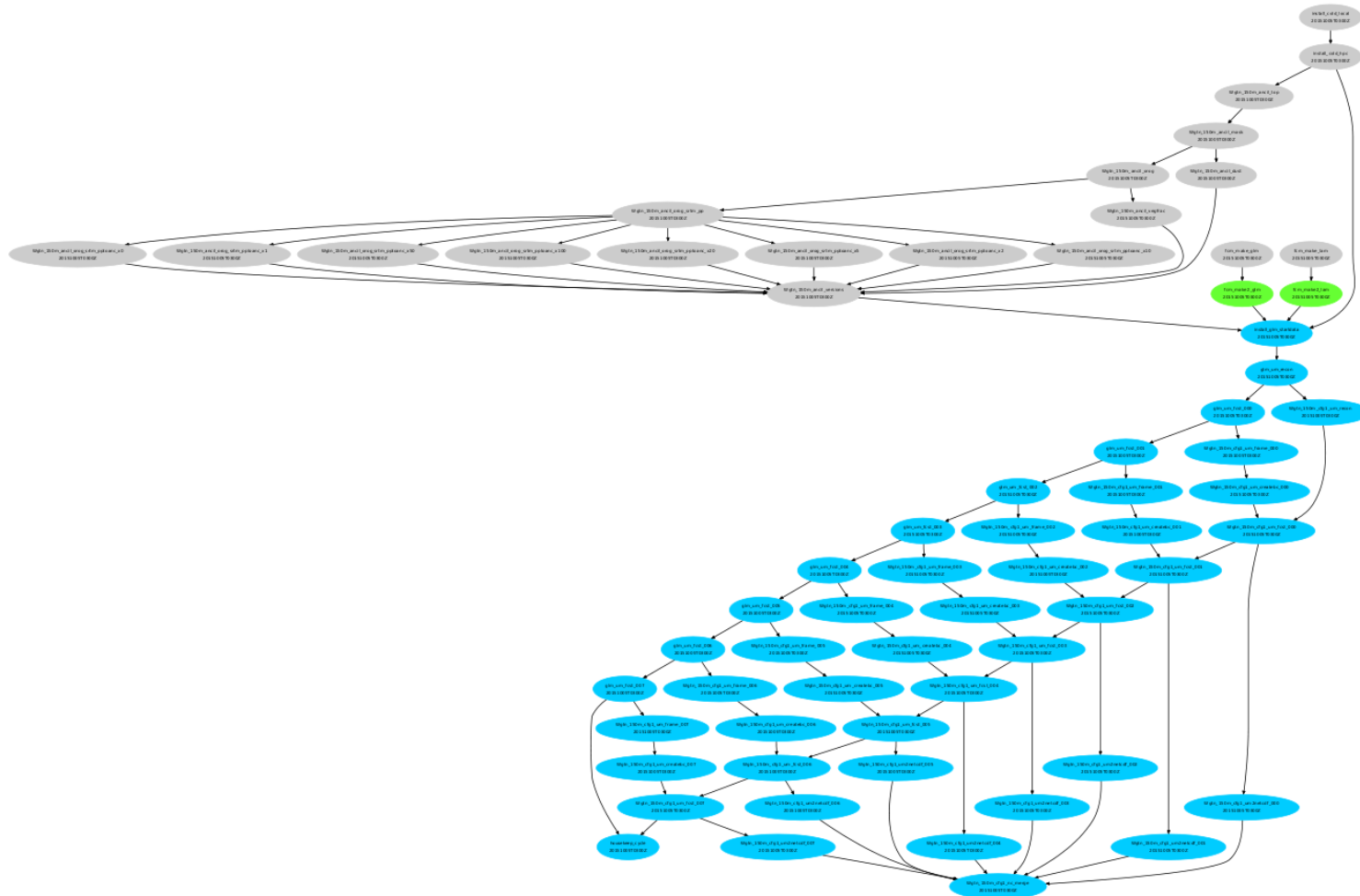
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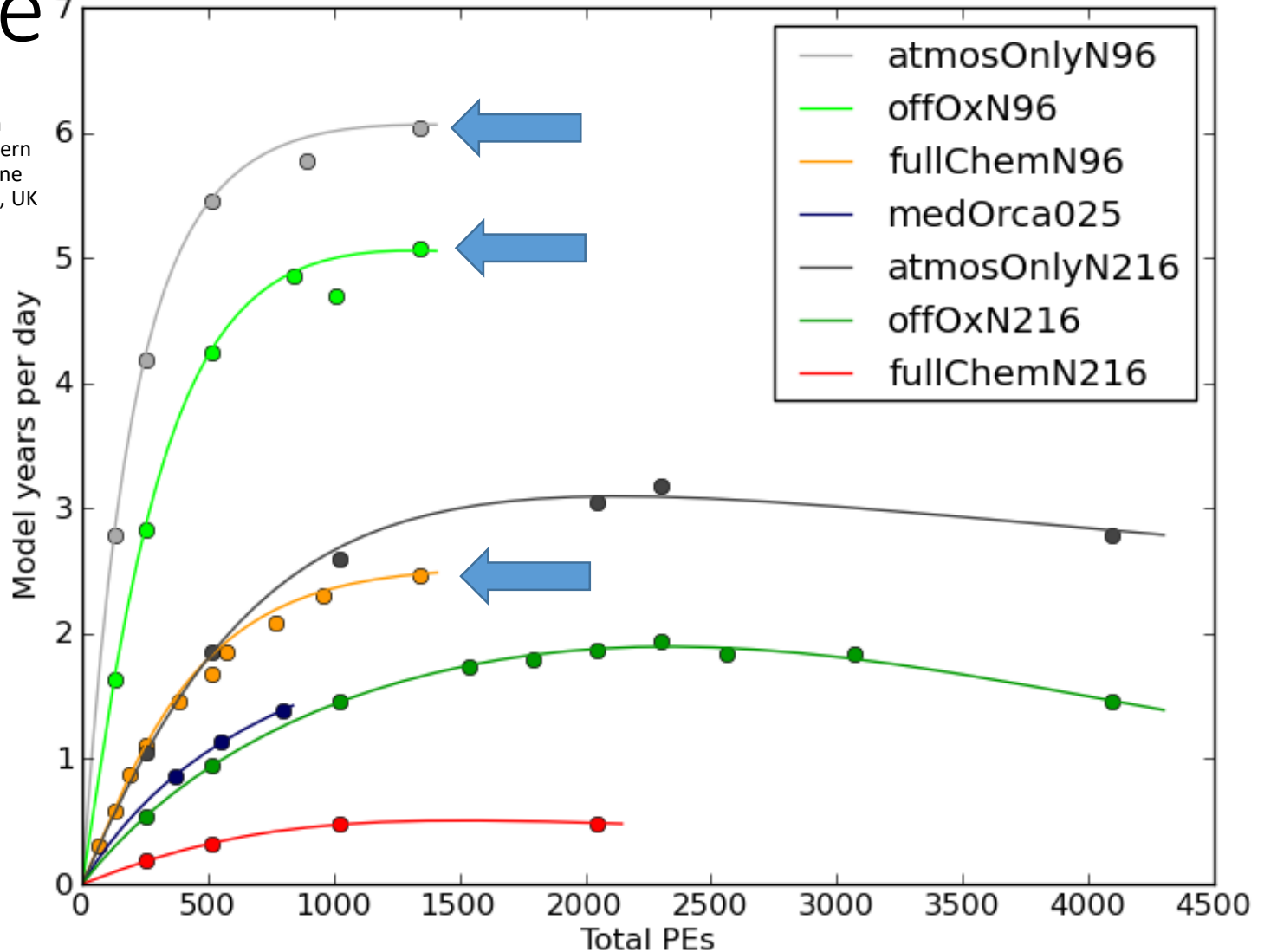


Ballpark HPC usage of the NZESM

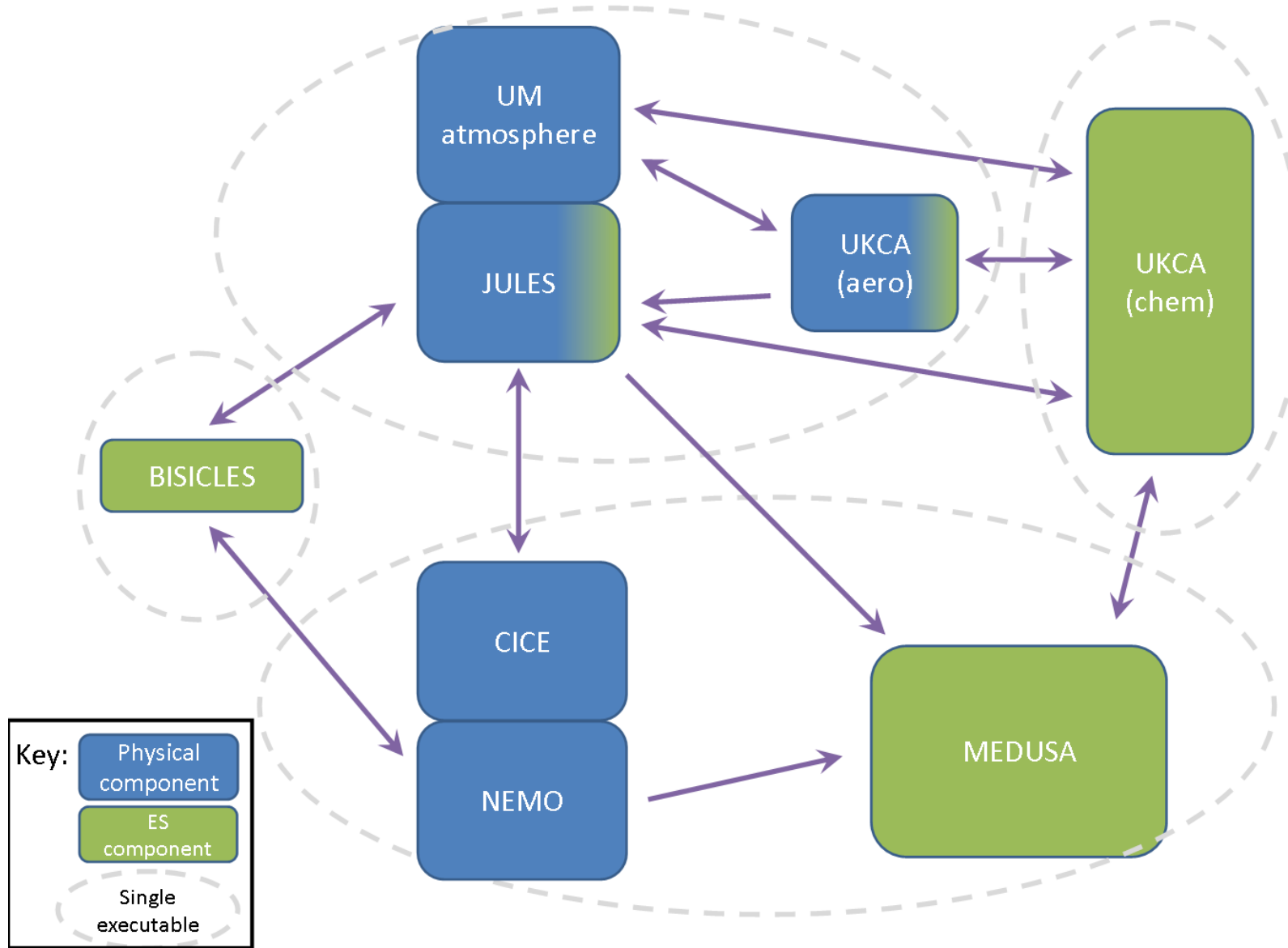
- Ballpark for two reasons
 - The NZESM is still under development across the Core Partners of the UM consortium
 - The current NIWA HPC is due to be upgraded in 12-18 months' time
- Hence any figures quoted for current operational and development runs are provisional 😊

UKESM – IBM P7, 32 cores per node

- Computational cost of running a complex Earth System Model on a modern IBM power 7 HPC machine (courtesy: Marc Stringer, UK MetOffice).

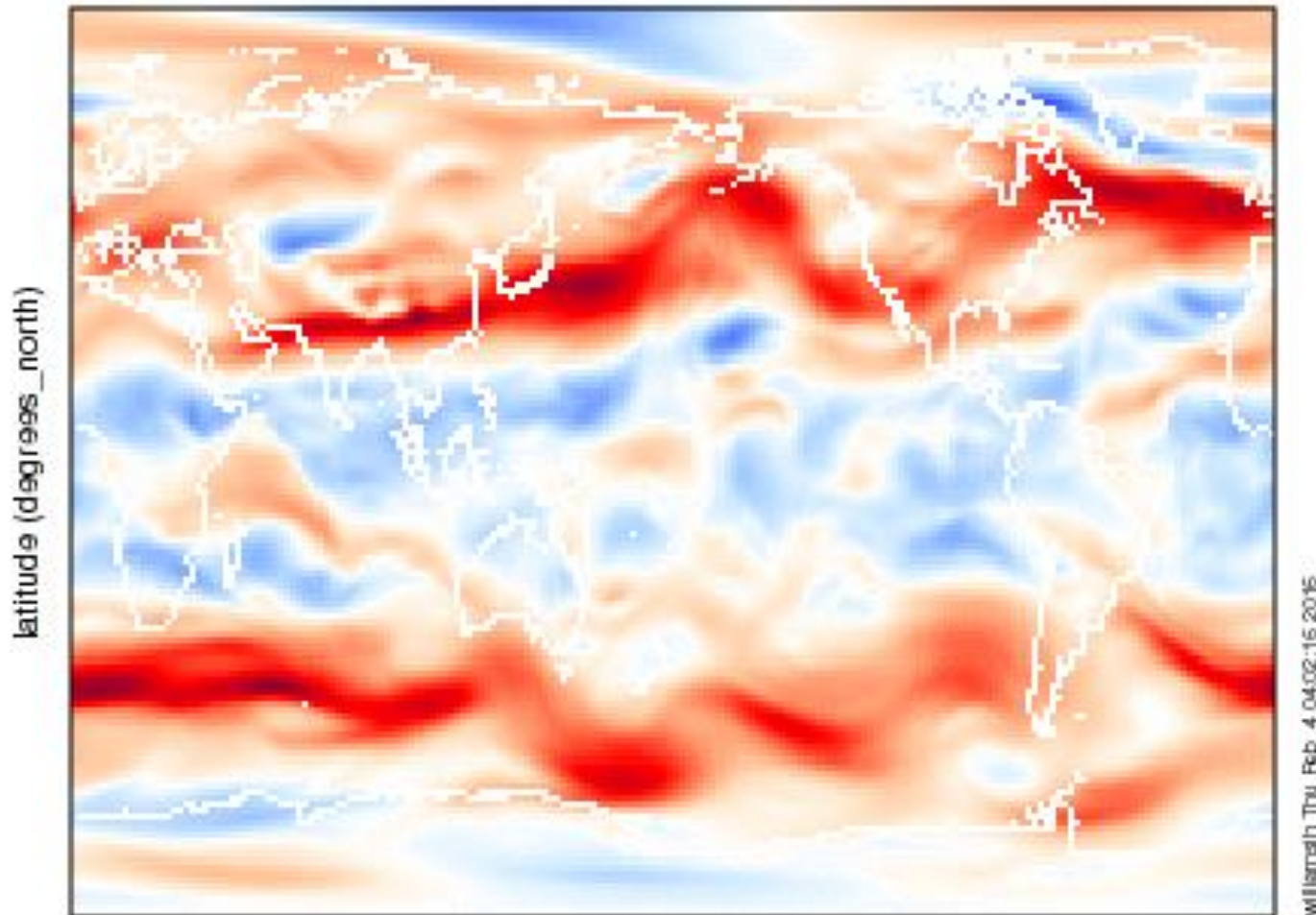


Coupling UKESM1



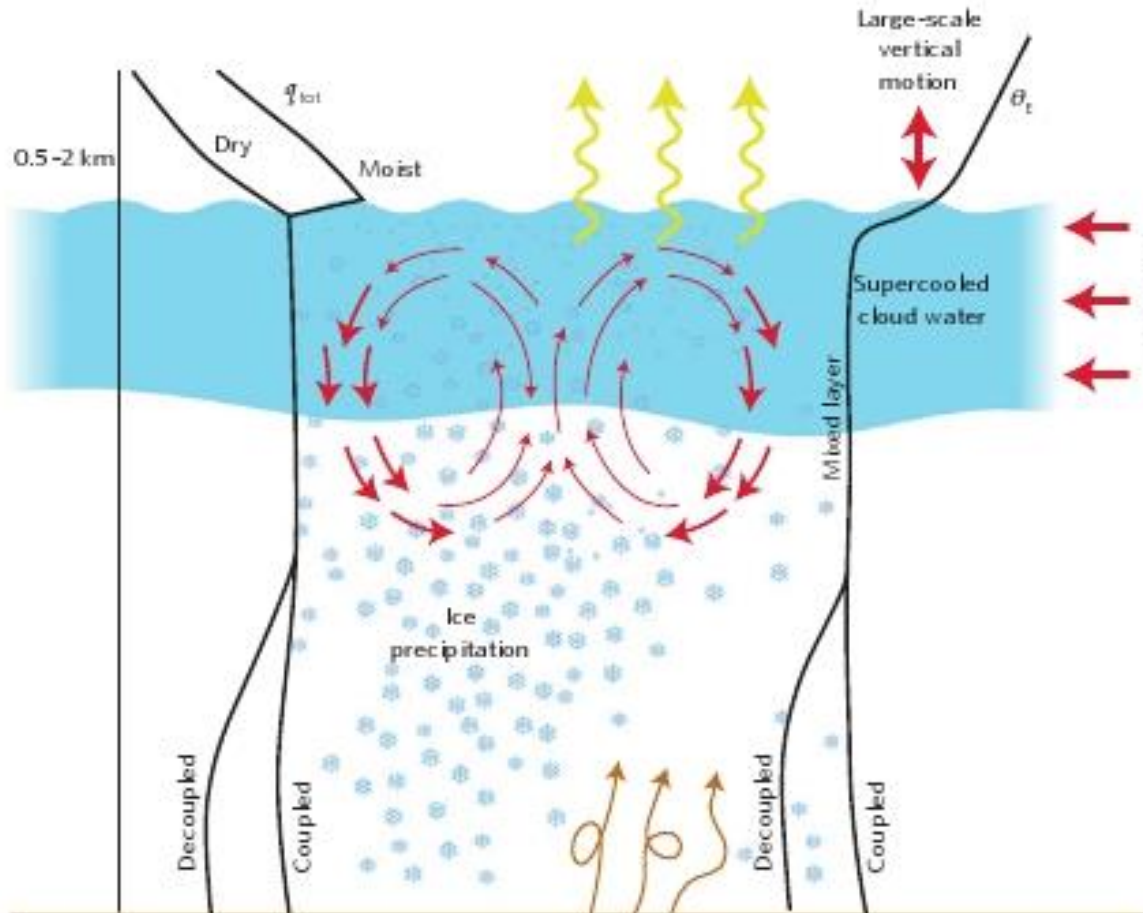
First proto-NZESM results

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Current status of the UKESM

- As of last week, it was announced that the code configurations for UKESM1 have been ‘frozen’
- This means that we are now in a position to port over the code to the NIWA HPC and to begin running the NZESM ‘for real’
- Vidya Varma and Olaf Morgenstern are developing a new mixed-phase cloud parameterisation which we hope will contribute significantly to the model development and ultimately to a better understanding of the Southern Ocean bias discussed earlier
- If NIWA can contribute this to the development of the UKESM/NZESM then this will be very useful to the community as a whole given the large Southern Ocean bias



Radiative Cooling

- Drives buoyant production of turbulence
- Forces direct condensation within inversion layer
- Requires minimum amount of cloud liquid water

Microphysics

- Liquid forms in updrafts and sometimes within the inversion layer
- Ice nucleates in cloud
- Rapid ice growth promotes sedimentation from cloud

Dynamics

- Cloud-forced turbulent mixed layer with strong narrow downdrafts, weak broad updrafts, and q_{tot} and θ_t nearly constant with height
- Small-scale, weak turbulence in cloudy inversion layer
- Large-scale advection of water vapour important

Surface Layer

- Turbulence and q contributions can be weak or strong
- Sink of atmospheric moisture due to ice precipitation
- Surface type (ocean, ice, land) influences interaction with cloud

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