

## The $p^*$ - $T^*$ - Dynamics of the Runge-Kutta Numerics

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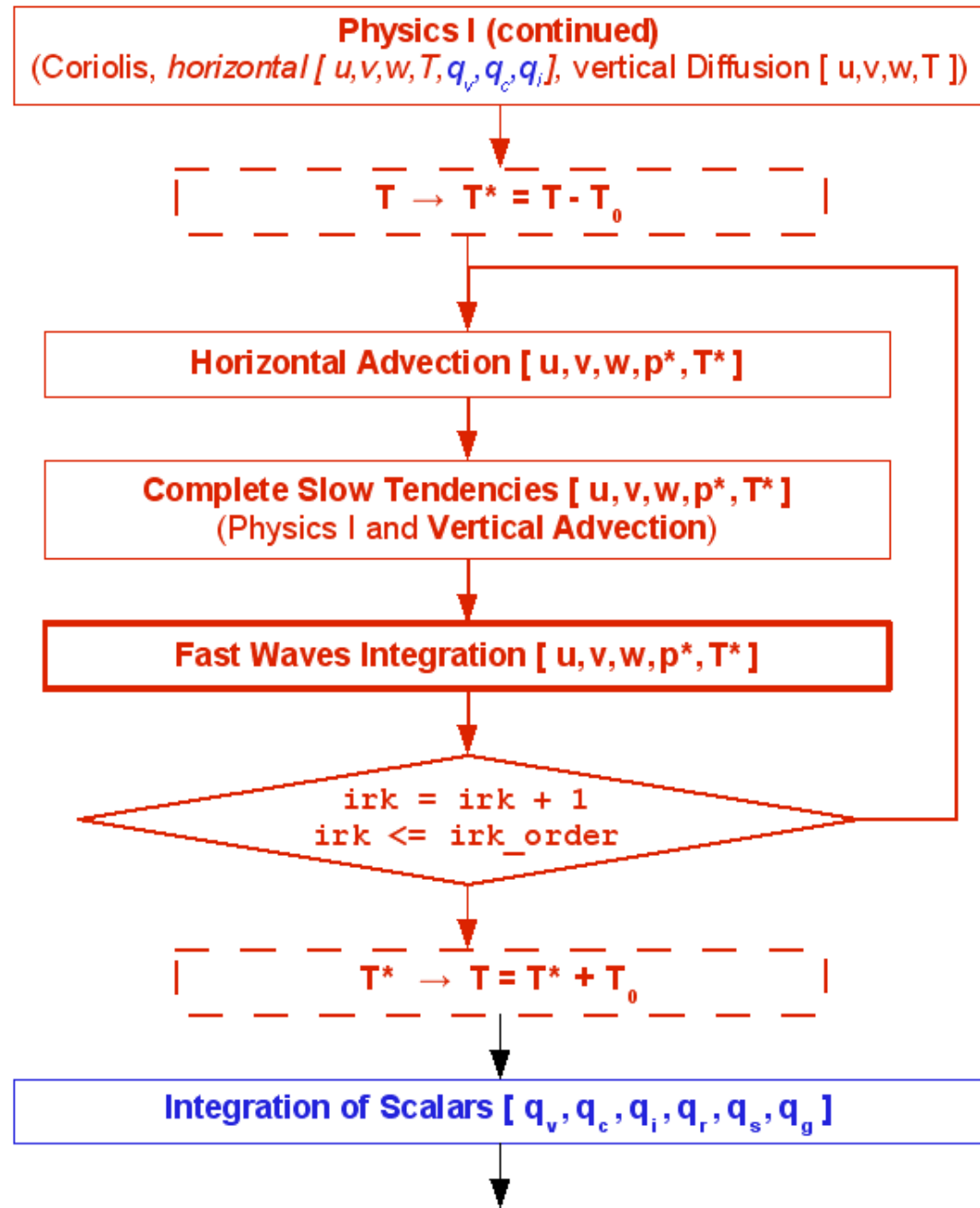
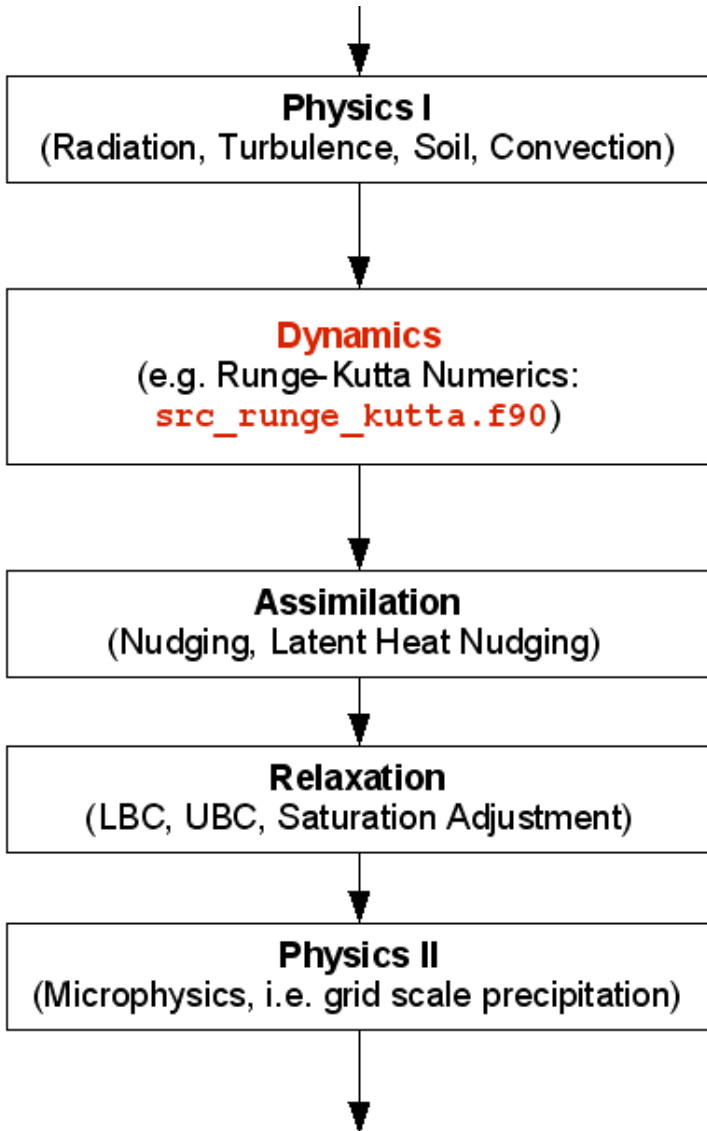
## 1<sup>st</sup> Part:

### $p^*$ - $T^*$ - Dynamics

### (“Symmetric Thermodynamics”)

- a) idealized (Test Case: Atmosphere in Rest)
- b) semi-idealized (Inn Valley-Test Case)
- c) real (CLM-Test Case)

# Flow Chart of an Integration Step



## p\*-T\* - Dynamics (“Symmetric Thermodynamics“)

- Change to a **Prognostic Equation** for the **Temperature Perturbation**

1. Advection of a Decomposed (Reference State + Deviation) Scalar:

$$\psi = \psi_0 + \psi^*$$

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t}\right)_{VADV}^{(n)} &= -\overline{\zeta^{(n)} \delta_{\zeta} \psi^{*(n)\zeta}} - \overline{\zeta^{(n)} \delta_{\zeta} \psi_0^{\zeta}} \\ &= -\overline{\zeta^{(n)} \delta_{\zeta} \psi^{*(n)\zeta}} - \overline{w^{(n)} \frac{\partial \psi_0^{\zeta}}{\partial z}} \\ &\quad + \overline{\left(\frac{J_{\lambda}}{a \cos \varphi} \overline{u^{(n)\lambda, \zeta}} + \frac{J_{\varphi}}{a} \overline{v^{(n)\varphi, \zeta}}\right) \frac{\partial \psi_0^{\zeta}}{\partial z}} \end{aligned}$$

implicit 2<sup>nd</sup> order centered-differences

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t}\right)_{HADV}^{(n)} &= -\frac{1}{a \cos \varphi} \left( \overline{u^{(n)} \delta_{\lambda} \psi^{*(n)\lambda}} + \overline{\cos \varphi v^{(n)} \delta_{\varphi} \psi^{*(n)\varphi}} \right) \\ &\quad - \overline{\left(\frac{J_{\lambda}}{a \cos \varphi} \overline{u^{(n)\lambda, \zeta}} + \frac{J_{\varphi}}{a} \overline{v^{(n)\varphi, \zeta}}\right) \frac{\partial \psi_0^{\zeta}}{\partial z}} \end{aligned}$$

explicit 5<sup>th</sup> order upwind

## 2. New Formulation of the Fast Waves Solver

- Vertical Velocity

$$\begin{aligned}
 w^{(\nu+1)} = w^{(\nu)} + & \left[ \frac{1}{\sqrt{G}} \frac{1}{\rho^{(n)\zeta}} \left\{ \beta^+ \delta_\zeta p^{*(\nu+1)} + \beta^- \delta_\zeta p^{*(\nu)} \right\} \right. \\
 & - g \frac{\bar{\rho}_0^\zeta}{\rho^{(n)\zeta}} \left\{ \left( \frac{T_0 \beta^+}{T^{(n)} p_0} \right) p^{*(\nu+1)} + \left( \frac{T_0 \beta^-}{T^{(n)} p_0} \right) p^{*(\nu)} \right\} \\
 & \left. + g \frac{\bar{\rho}_0^\zeta}{\rho^{(n)\zeta}} \left\{ \left( \frac{\beta^+}{T^{(n)}} \right) T^{*(\nu+1)} + \left( \frac{\beta^-}{T^{(n)}} \right) T^{*(\nu)} \right\} + f_w^{(n)} \right] \Delta \tau
 \end{aligned}$$

- Pressure Perturbation

$$\begin{aligned}
 p^{*(\nu+1)} = p^{*(\nu)} + & \left[ g \rho_0 \left\{ \beta^+ \overline{w^{(\nu+1)}}^\zeta + \beta^- \overline{w^{(\nu)}}^\zeta \right\} \right. \\
 & \left. + \frac{1}{\sqrt{G}} \frac{\rho^{(n)} c_{pd}}{c_{vd}} \left\{ \beta^+ \delta_\zeta w^{(\nu+1)} + \beta^- \delta_\zeta w^{(\nu)} \right\} - \frac{\rho^{(n)} c_{pd}}{c_{vd}} D_h^{(\nu+1)} + f_{p^*}^{(n)} \right] \Delta \tau
 \end{aligned}$$

- Temperature Perturbation

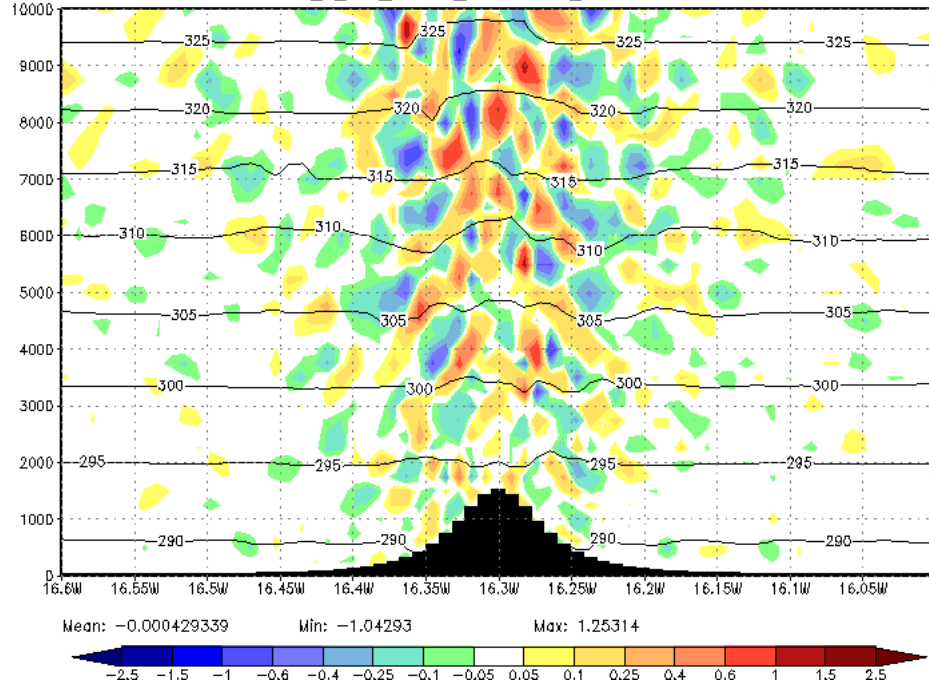
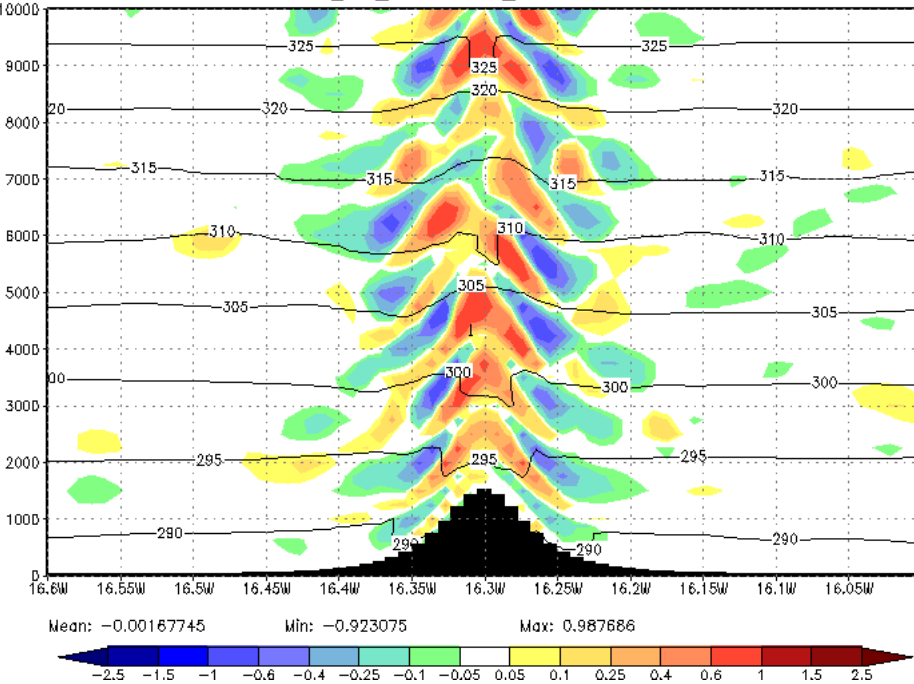
$$\begin{aligned}
 T^{*(\nu+1)} = T^{*(\nu)} + & \left[ -\frac{dT_0}{dz} \left\{ \beta^+ \overline{w^{(\nu+1)}}^\zeta + \beta^- \overline{w^{(\nu)}}^\zeta \right\} \right. \\
 & \left. + \frac{1}{\sqrt{G}} \frac{\rho^{(n)}}{\rho^{(n)} c_{vd}} \left\{ \beta^+ \delta_\zeta w^{(\nu+1)} + \beta^- \delta_\zeta w^{(\nu)} \right\} - \frac{\rho^{(n)}}{\rho^{(n)} c_{vd}} D_h^{(\nu+1)} + f_{T^*}^{(n)} \right] \Delta \tau
 \end{aligned}$$

## Leapfrog

## Runge-Kutta old $p^*$ -T-Dynamics

LF\_vc2\_xkd0.0 - W\_zlev - t=24 h

Bott\_2\_vc2\_xkd0.0\_DBBC - W\_zlev - t=24 h



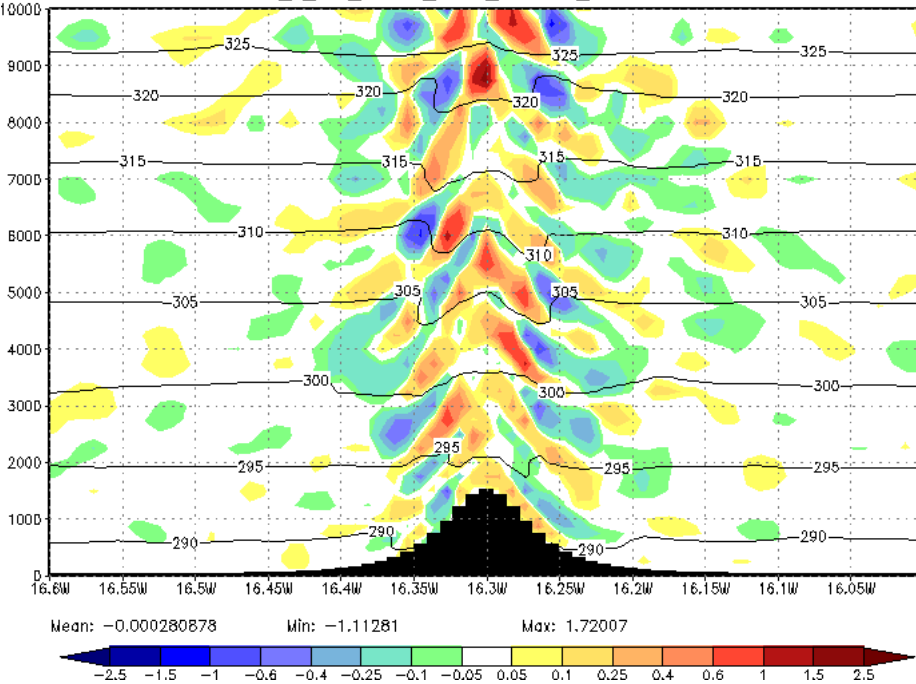
contours: vertical velocity

isolines: potential temperature

Runge-Kutta + HD  
old  $p^*$ -T-Dynamics

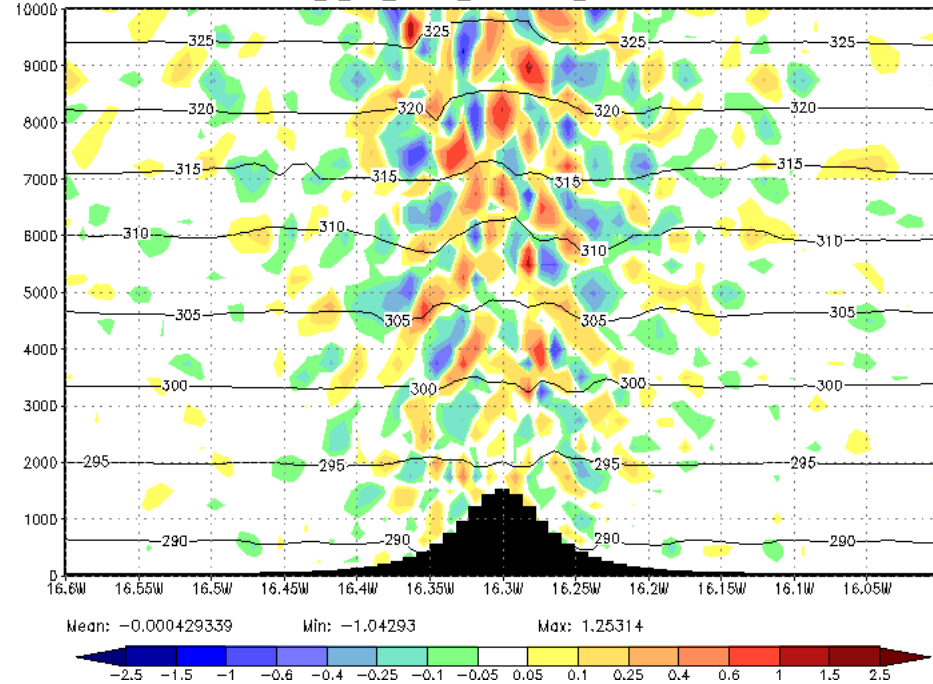
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contours: vertical velocity

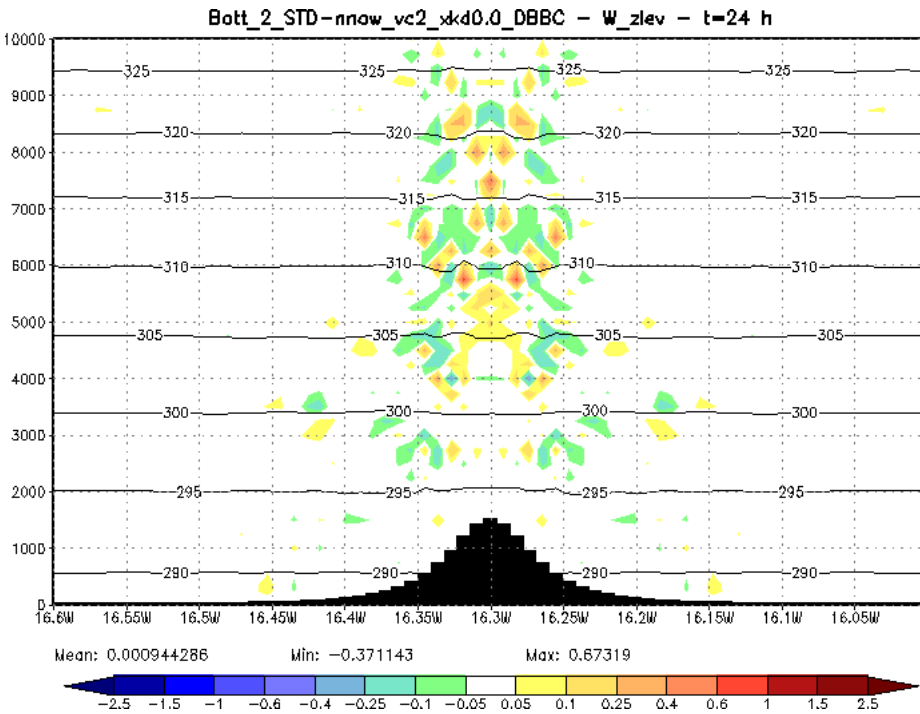
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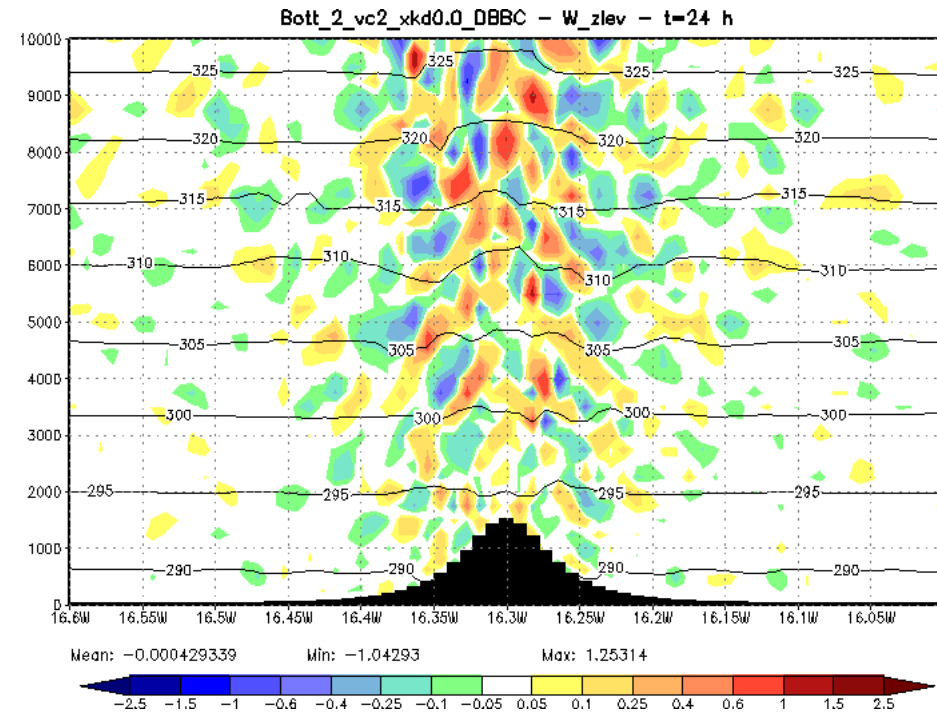
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## Runge-Kutta new $p^*$ - $T^*$ -Dynamics

## Runge-Kutta old $p^*$ - $T^*$ -Dynamics



contours: vertical velocity



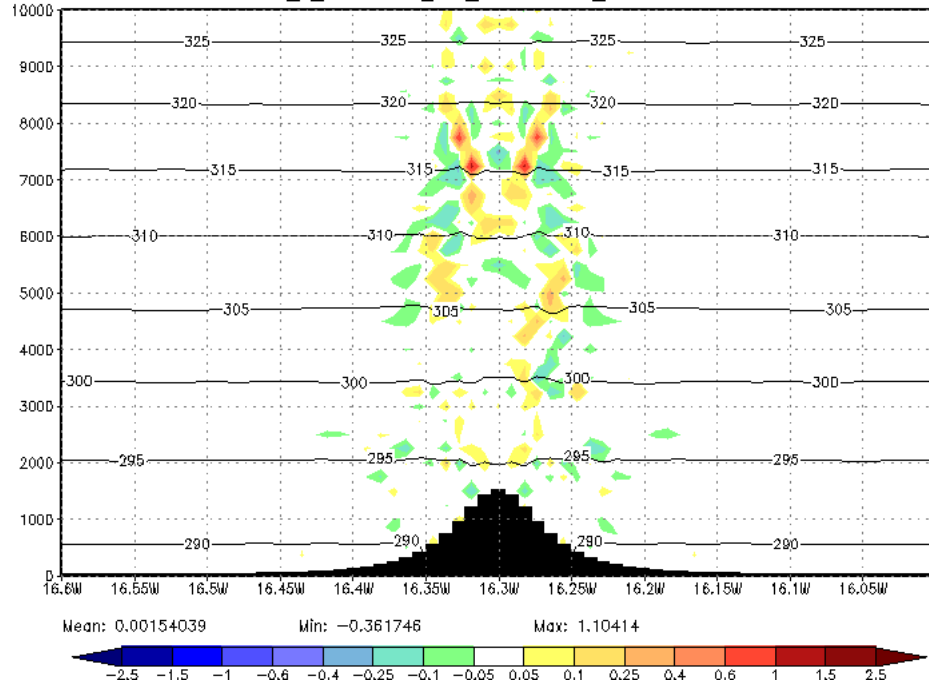
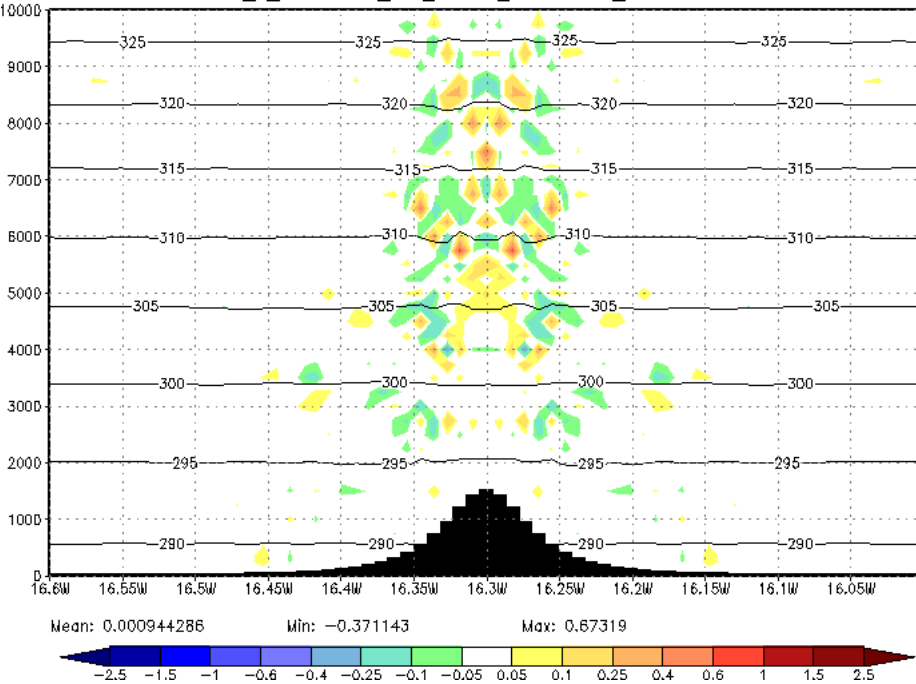
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## Runge-Kutta new $p^*$ - $T^*$ -Dynamics

## Runge-Kutta new $p^*$ - $T^*$ -Dynamics old bottom BC

Bott\_2\_STD-nnow\_vc2\_xkd0.0\_DBBC - W\_zlev - t=24 h

Bott\_2\_STD-nnow\_vc2\_xkd0.0 - W\_zlev - t=24 h



contours: vertical velocity

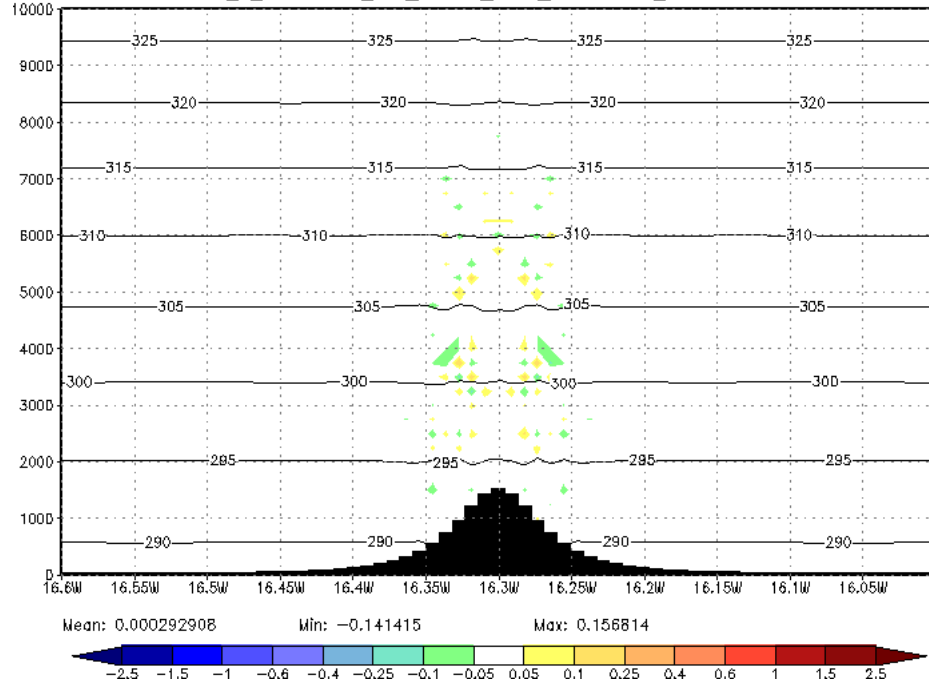
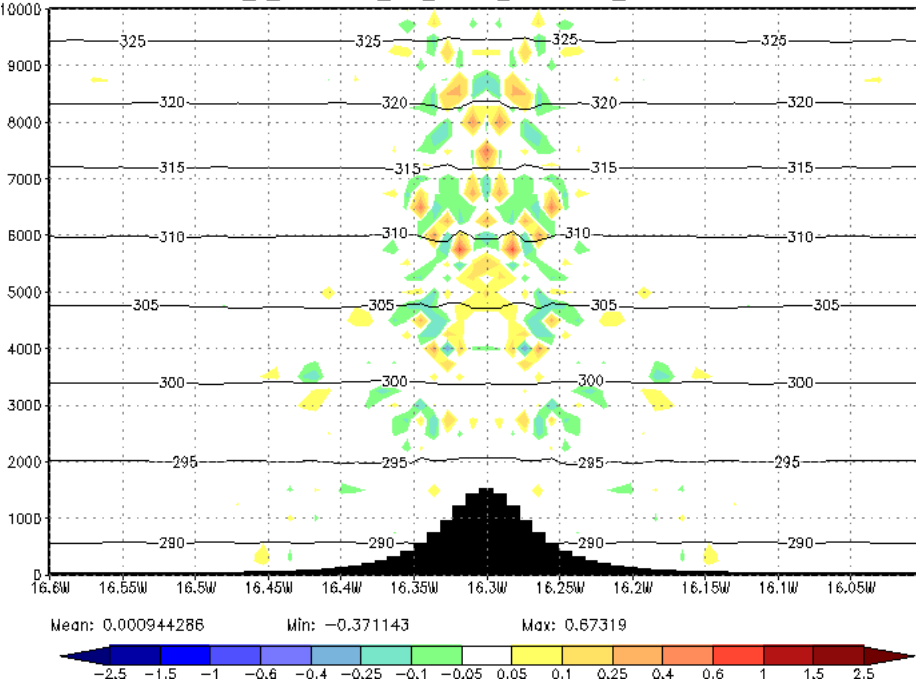
isolines: potential temperature

## Runge-Kutta new $p^*$ - $T^*$ -Dynamics

## Runge-Kutta new $p^*$ - $T^*$ -Dynamics explicit upwind 3<sup>rd</sup> order VA

Bott\_2\_STD-nnow\_vc2\_xkd0.0\_DBBC - W\_zlev - t=24 h

Bott\_2\_STD-nnow\_vc2\_xkd0.0\_EVA3\_DBBC - W\_zlev - t=24 h



contours: vertical velocity

isolines: potential temperature

## semi-idealized Inn Valley - Test Case (suggested by Günther Zängl during visit of MeteoCH in March 2006)

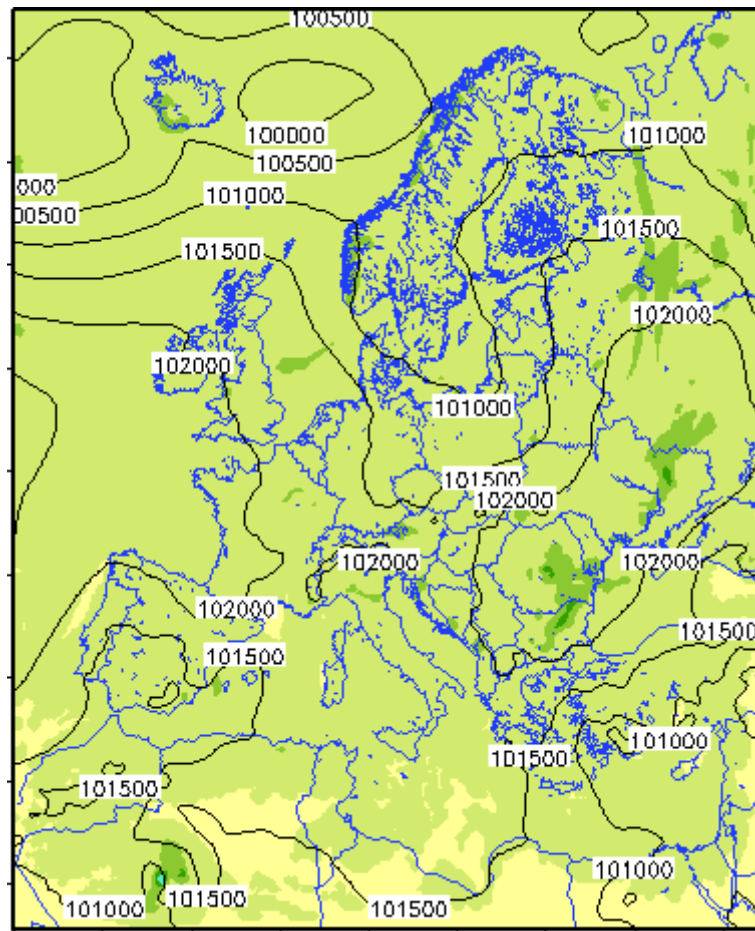
- Orography of Inn Valley region at a resolution of 800 m.
- Physics: radiation - and turbulence parameterization.
- Initialization: very dry atmosphere at rest, 15 Oct. 00 UTC.
  
- old p\*-T-Dynamics: | $(u,v)$ | in k=3 T in k=1 qv in k=1 w at x=55
- new p\*-T\*-Dynamics: | $(u,v)$ | in k=3 T in k=1 qv in k=1 w at x=55
- new p\*-T\*-Dynamics \*): | $(u,v)$ | in k=3 T in k=1 qv in k=1 w at x=55  
\*) with explicit upwind 3<sup>rd</sup> order vertical advection

## CLM - Test Case

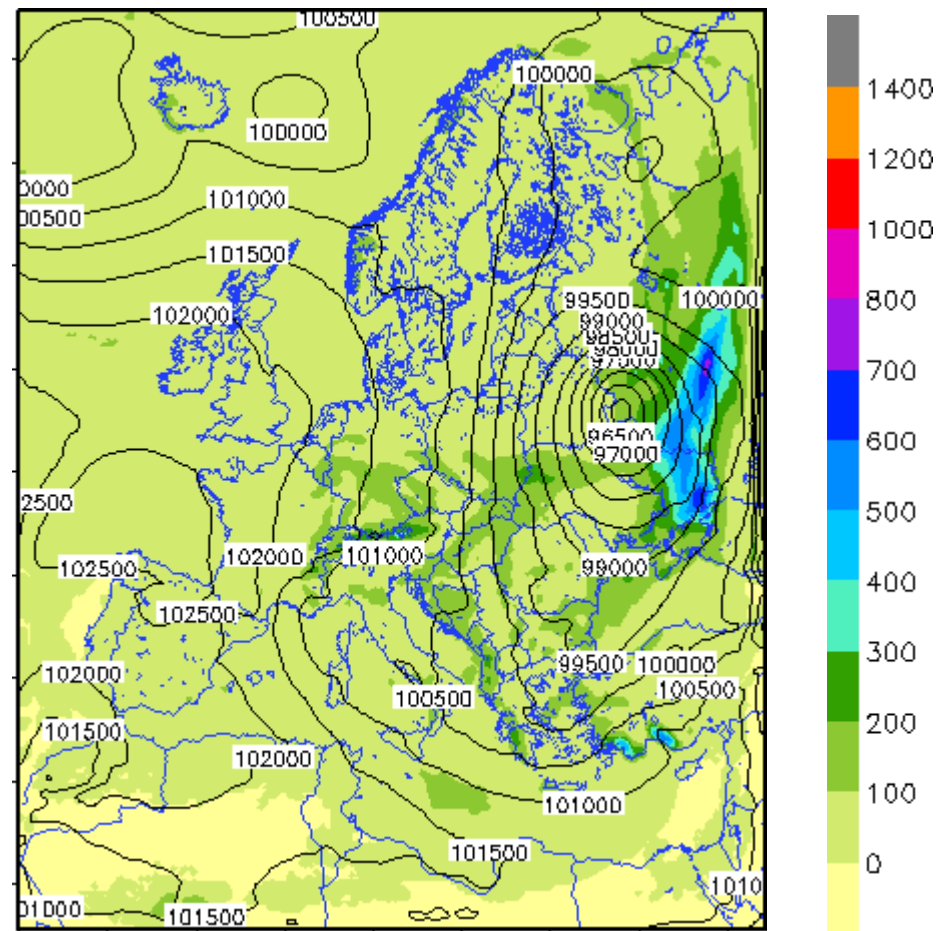
(simulations carried out by U. Schättler)

- Problem: unrealistic forecasts of pressure and precipitation fields in long term climate simulations with the LM.
- Problem depends on the chosen time step.
  
- Start date: 1 July 1979.
- Shown results:
  - accumulated precipitation (TOT\_PREC)
  - pressure at mean sea level (PMSL) after a forecast time of 324 h (nearly 2 weeks).

## Leapfrog – $\Delta t = 75s$

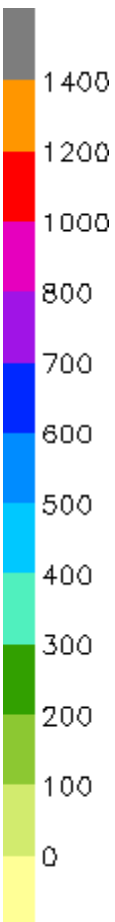
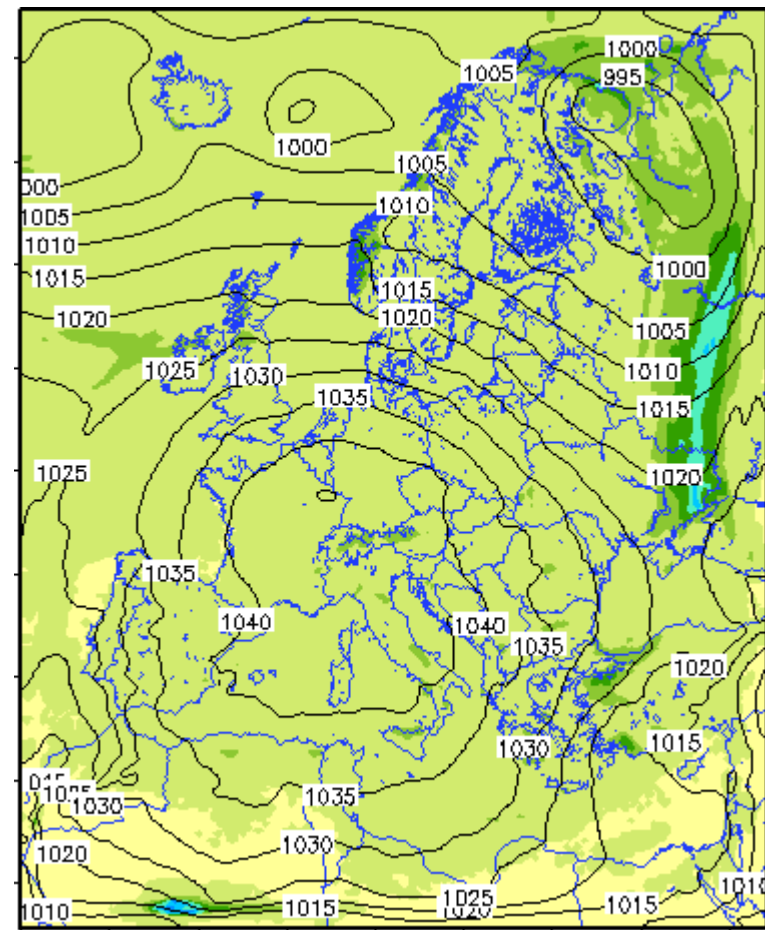
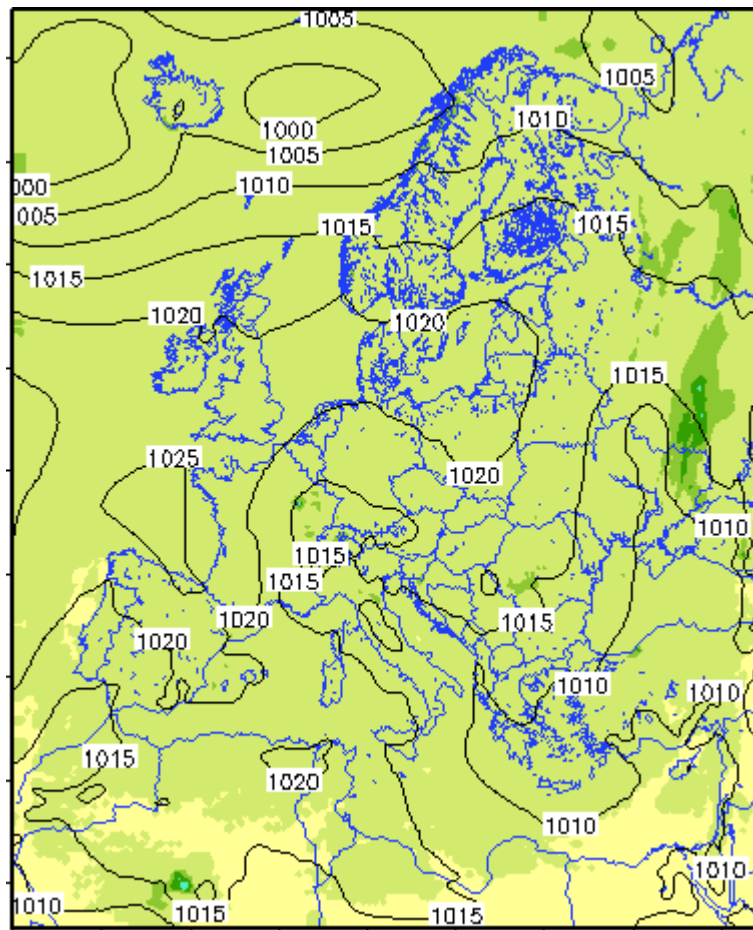


## Leapfrog – $\Delta t = 90s$

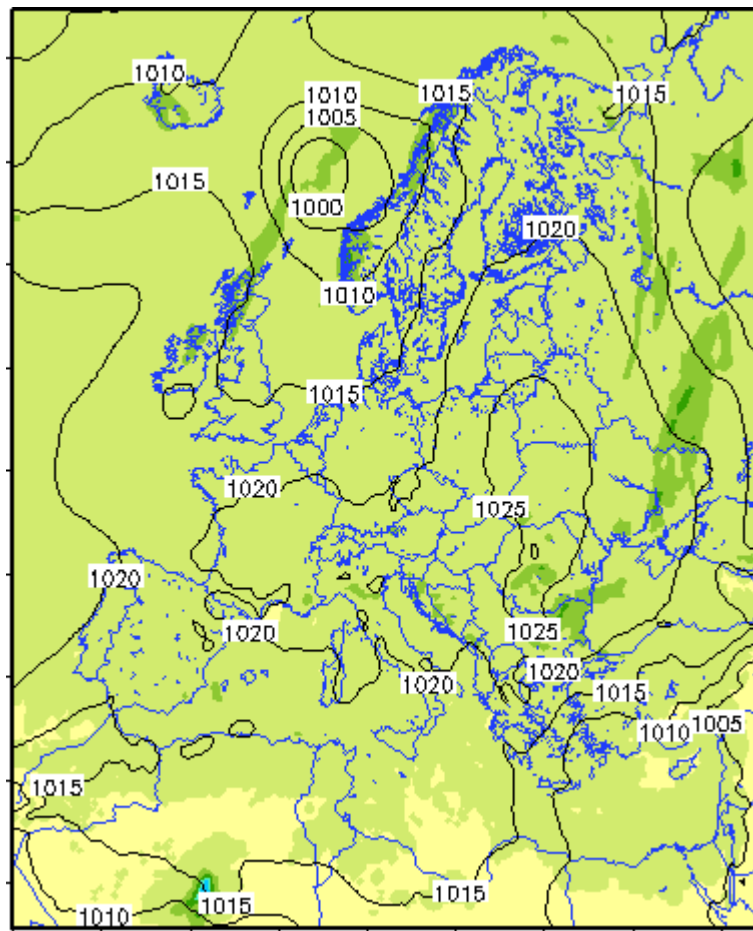


RK (p\*-T) –  $\Delta t = 150s$

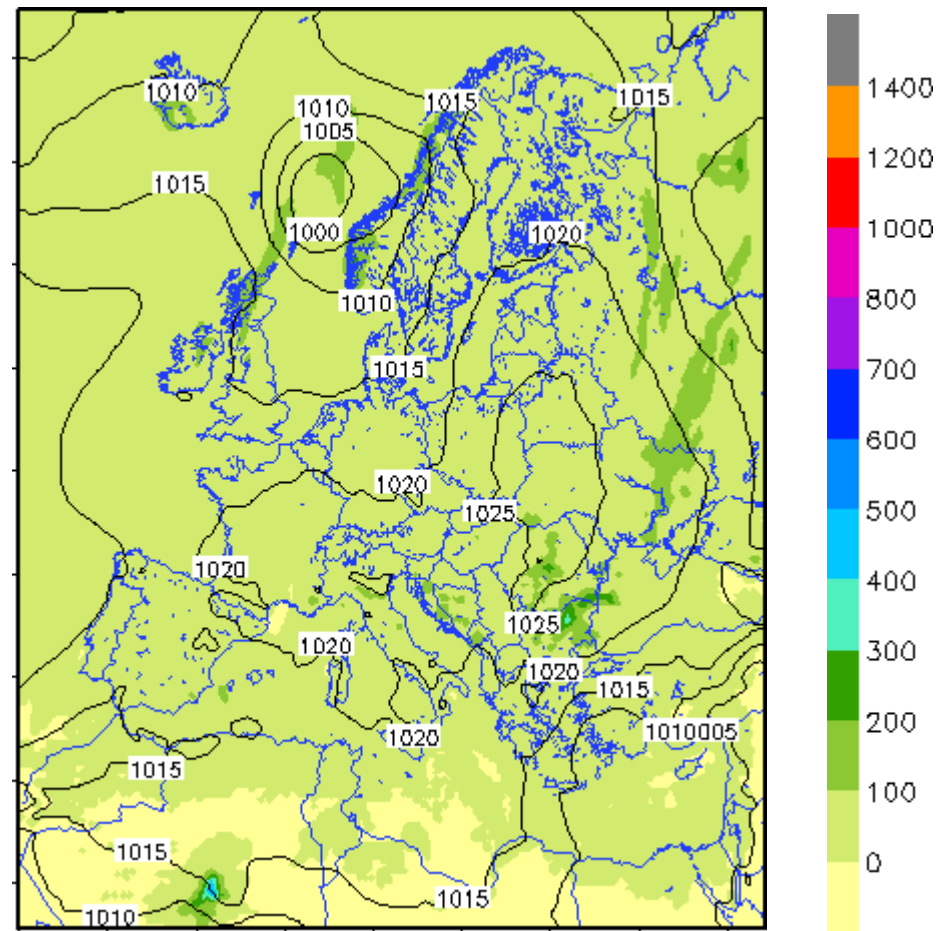
RK (p\*-T) –  $\Delta t = 180s$



LF (semi-implicit) –  $\Delta t = 75s$

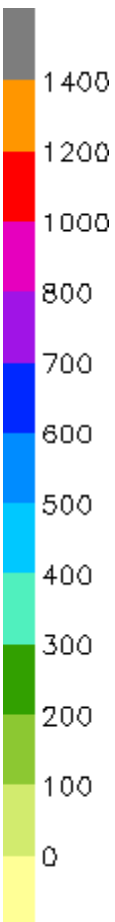
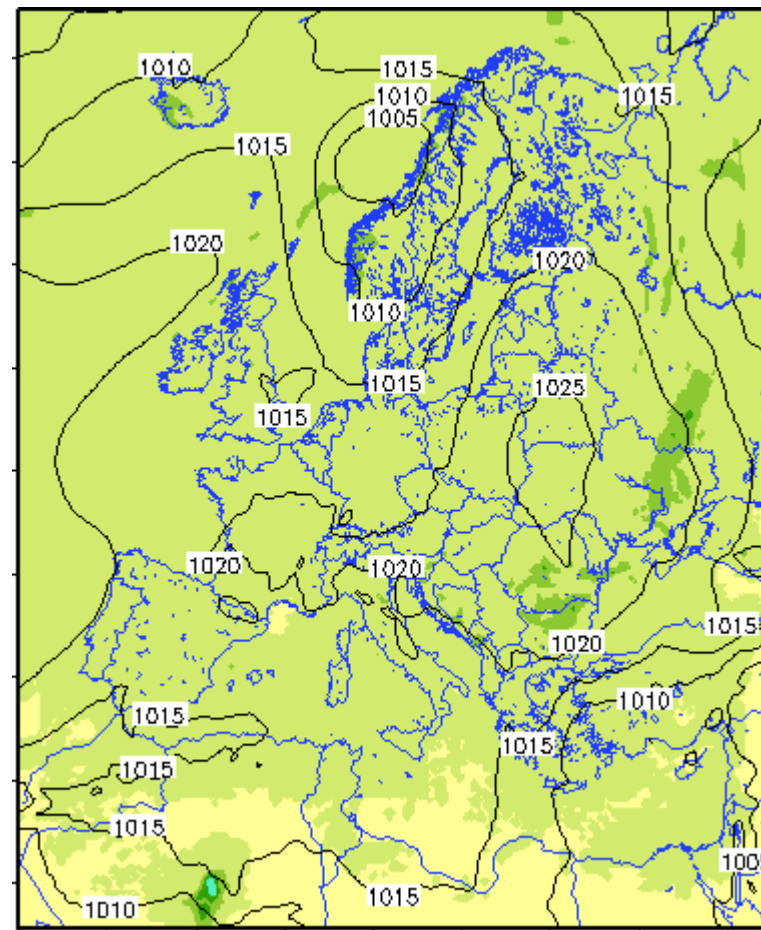
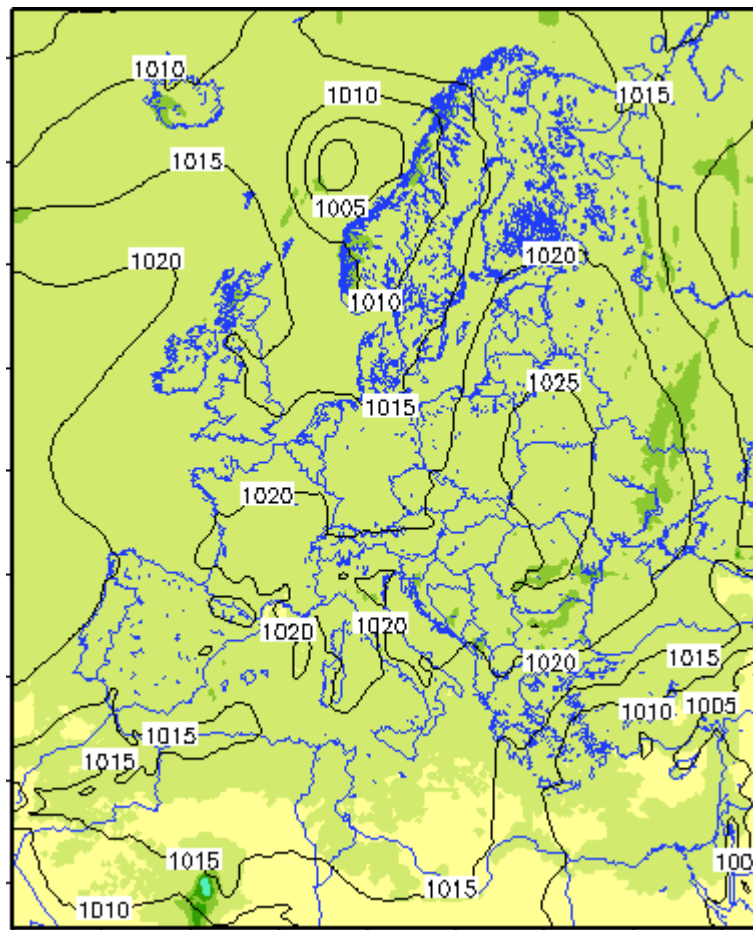


LF (semi-implicit) –  $\Delta t = 90s$



RK ( $p^*-T^*$ ) –  $\Delta t = 150s$

RK ( $p^*-T^*$ ) –  $\Delta t = 180s$



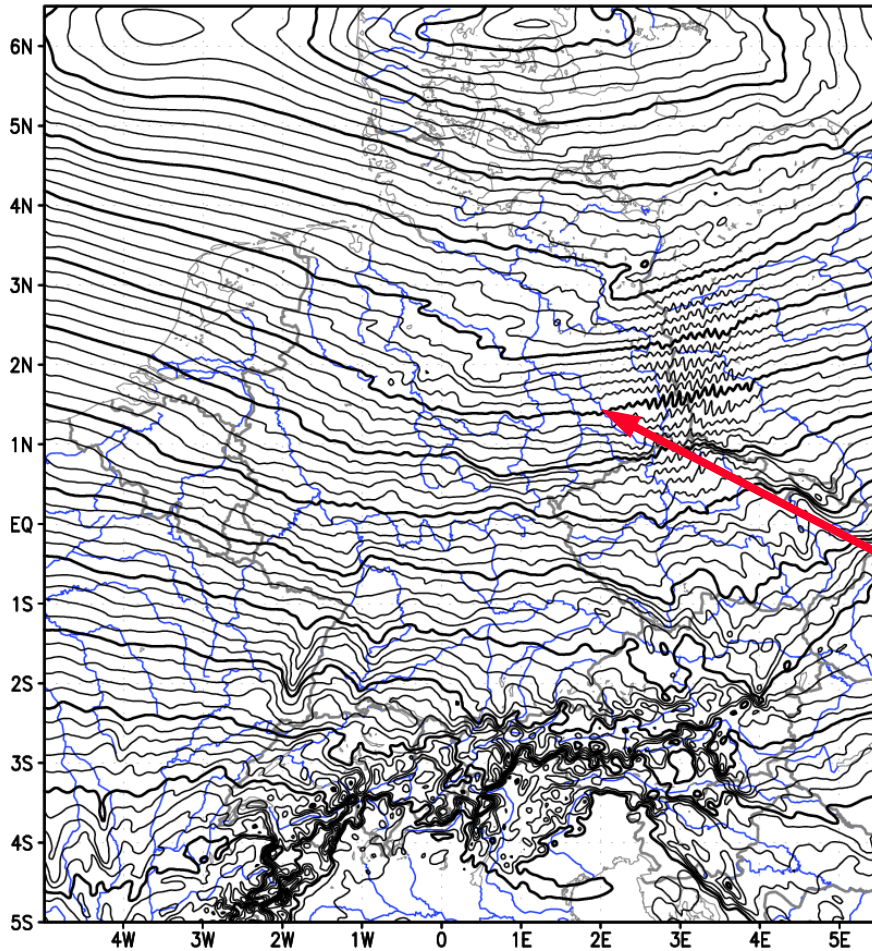
## 2<sup>nd</sup> Part:

# Pre-Operational Testing Phase of COSMO-LMK

a) Kyrill (18 January 2007)

b) lateral boundary conditions for  $q_r$  and  $q_s$

PMSL [hPa] – LMK 2007011806 – nach 12 h



Kyrill (18 January 2007)

Meteogram-Output  
„Kyrill\_1“  
(n0gp=1200, nincqg=1)

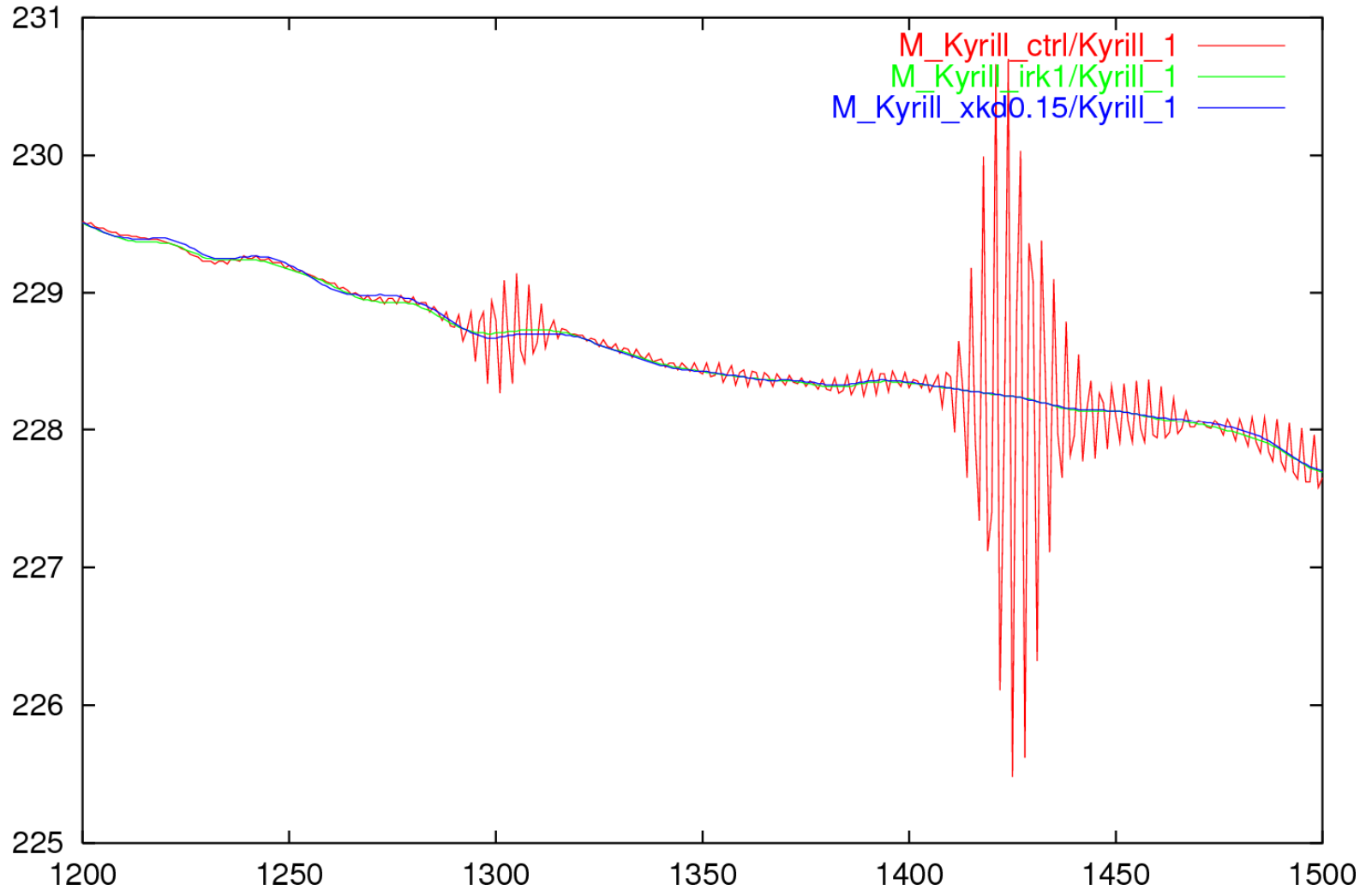
Mean: 993.024    Min: 957.86    Max: 1029.62

Kyrill (18 January 2007)

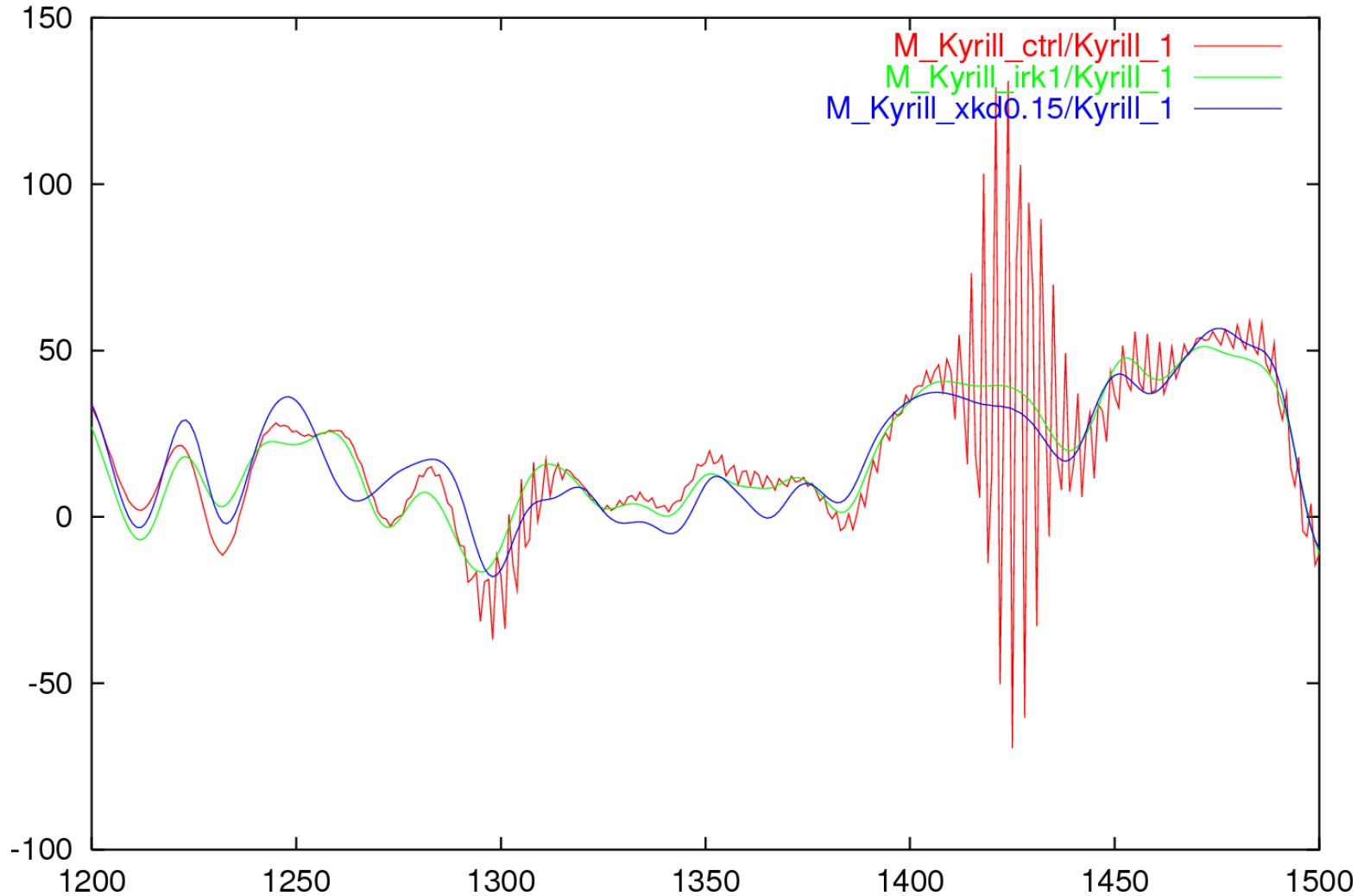
Tests carried out:

- 1. CTRL: new binary based on LM Version 3.21  
(`dt=30.0`, `irunge_kutta=2`, `xkd=0.1`)
- 2. semi-Lagrangian advection (`ls1_adv_qx=.TRUE.`)
- 3. smaller time step (`dt=25.0` and `dt=20.0`)
- 4. turbulence of Herzog and Vogel FE14-Potsdam (6FT2)
- 5. stricter criterion for small time step (Vorfaktor 0,9 → 0,75)
- 6. HD in whole domain (`lhdiff_mask=.FALSE.`)
- 7. upwind 3<sup>rd</sup> order horizontal advection (`iadv_order=3`)
- 8. without „new phys.-dyn.-coupling“ (`ldiabf_lh=.FALSE.`)
- 9. standard (WRF-) RK instead of TVD-RK (`irunge_kutta=1`)
- 10. more divergence damping (`xkd=0.15`)
- 11.... ditto (`xkd=0.125`)
- 12. no divergence damping (`xkd=0.0`)
- 13. TVD-RK with (same)  $\Delta\tau=2,5$  s in every RK step
- 14. explicit vertical advection (`lva_impl_dyn=.FALSE.`)
- 15. longer relaxation time in upper damping layer (`nrdtau=10`)
- 16. explicit formulation with EXP-function in the damping layer
- 17. corrected CFL-criterion für horizontal advection
- 18.... ditto with smaller time step (`dt=25.0`)

METEOGRAM: Time Series of Pmain at Level 14

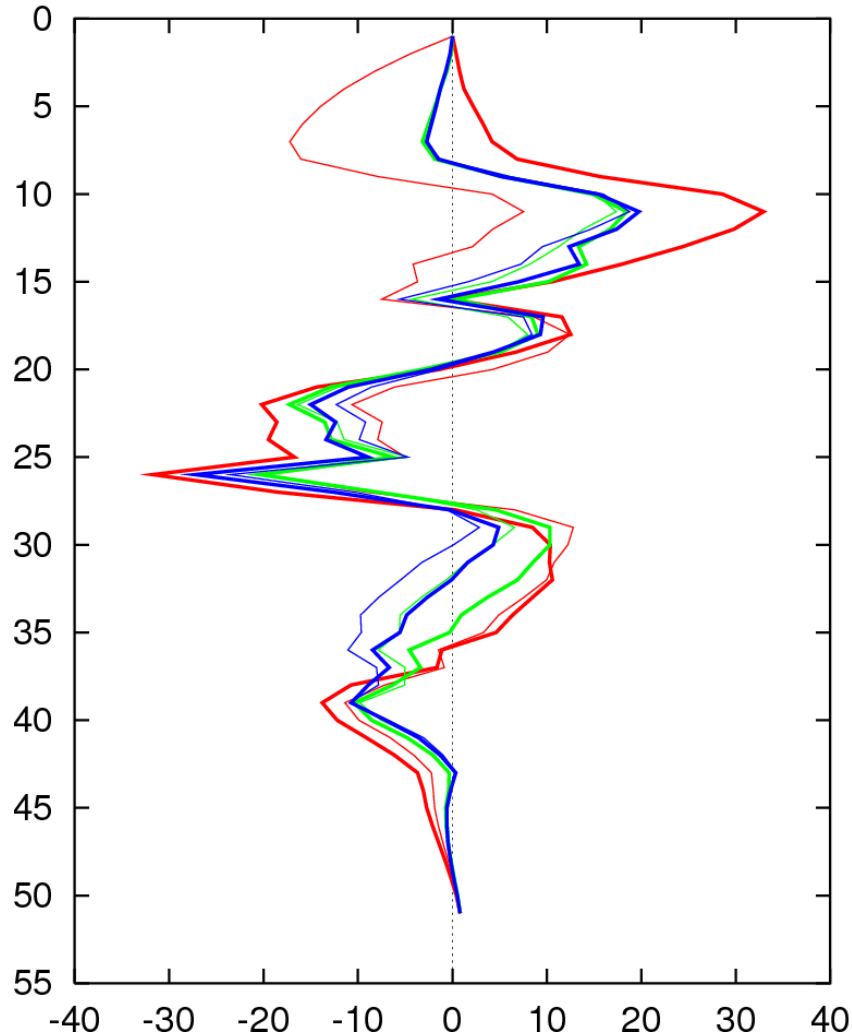


METEOGRAM: Time Series of W at Level 14





METEOGRAM: W -- ts1495



- M\_Kyrill\_ctrl/Kyrill\_1
- M\_Kyrill\_ctrl/Kyrill\_1\_D1
- M\_Kyrill\_irk1/Kyrill\_1
- M\_Kyrill\_irk1/Kyrill\_1\_D1
- M\_Kyrill\_xkd0.15/Kyrill\_1
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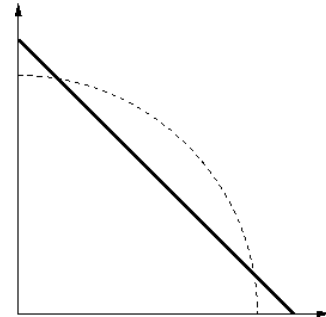
vertical profiles of W  
for the time steps  
**1495** and 1496 (\_D1)

## corrected CFL-criterion (Baldauf):

relevant velocity =  $\text{MAX}( \text{ABS}(u)+\text{ABS}(v) )$

3<sup>rd</sup> order RK with **5<sup>th</sup> order** horizontal advection:  $0,95 \cdot 1,42 = 1,35$

3<sup>rd</sup> order RK with **3<sup>rd</sup> order** horizontal advection:  $0,95 \cdot 1,61 = 1,53$

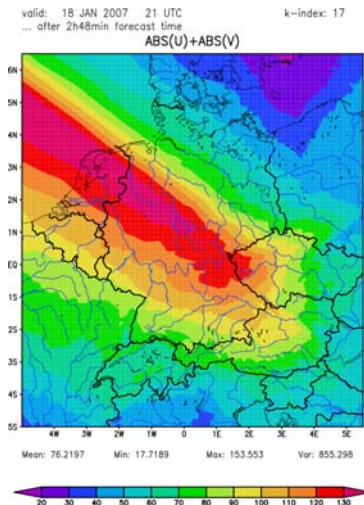


### LMK (MIN( $\Delta x, \Delta y$ ) = 2762 m):

- $\Delta t = 30$  s: stable up to **131 m/s**  
Rayleigh-damp.: 124 m/s
- $\Delta t = 25$  s: stable up to **157 m/s**  
Rayleigh-damp.: 149 m/s

### LME (MIN( $\Delta x, \Delta y$ ) = 6488 m):

- $\Delta t = 72$  s: stable up to **128 m/s** (145 m/s)  
Rayleigh-damp.: 122 m/s (138 m/s)
- $\Delta t = 60$  s: stable up to **154 m/s** (174 m/s)  
Rayleigh-damp.: 146 m/s (165 m/s)

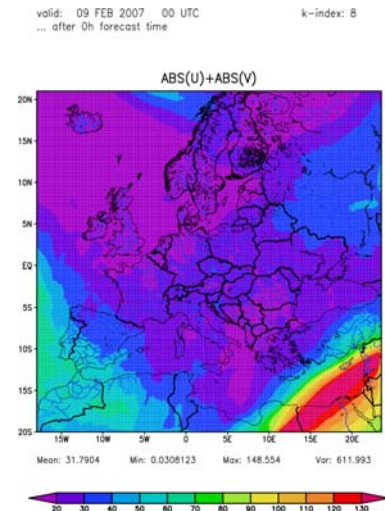


LMK - main run-analysis  
d=2007011821

$\text{MAX}( \text{ABS}(u)+\text{ABS}(v) ) = 147$  m/s

LME (parallel routine) - main run  
d=2007020900

$\text{MAX}( \text{ABS}(u)+\text{ABS}(v) ) = 152$  m/s

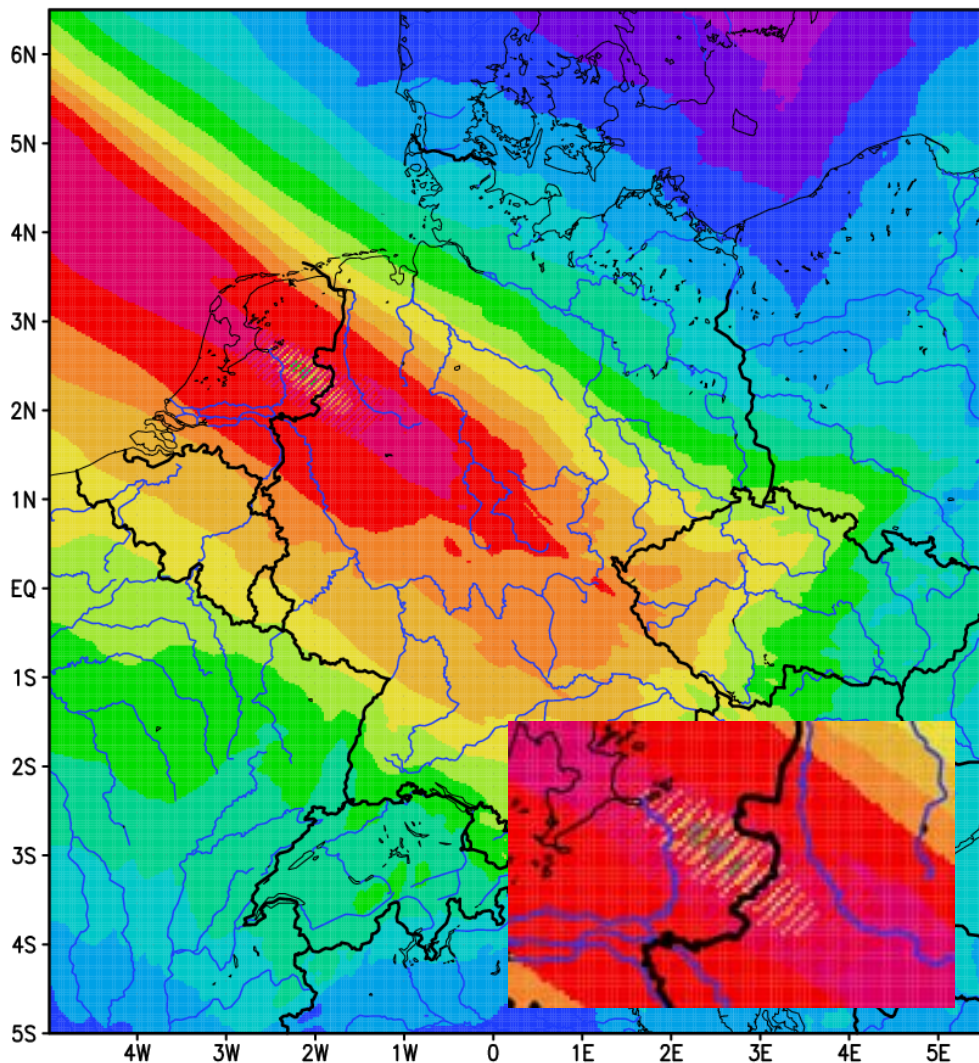


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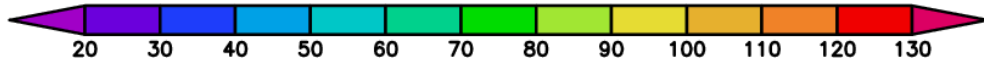
k-index: 18

... after 2h48min forecast time

ABS(U)+ABS(V)



Mean: 73.8064    Min: 13.9855    Max: 229.999    Var: 853.048

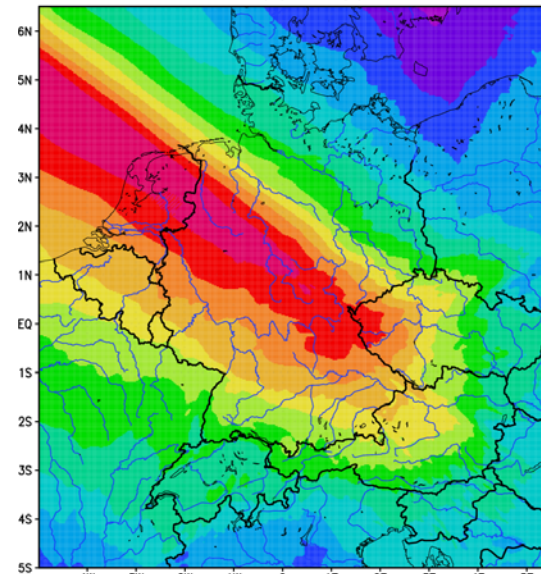


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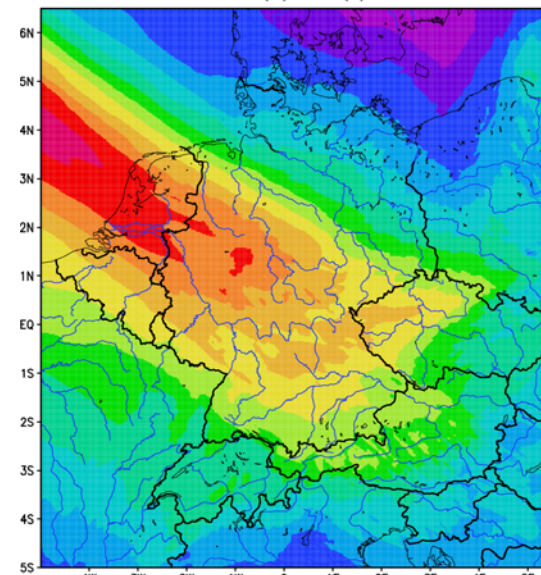
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valid: 18 JAN 2007 21 UTC

k-index: 19

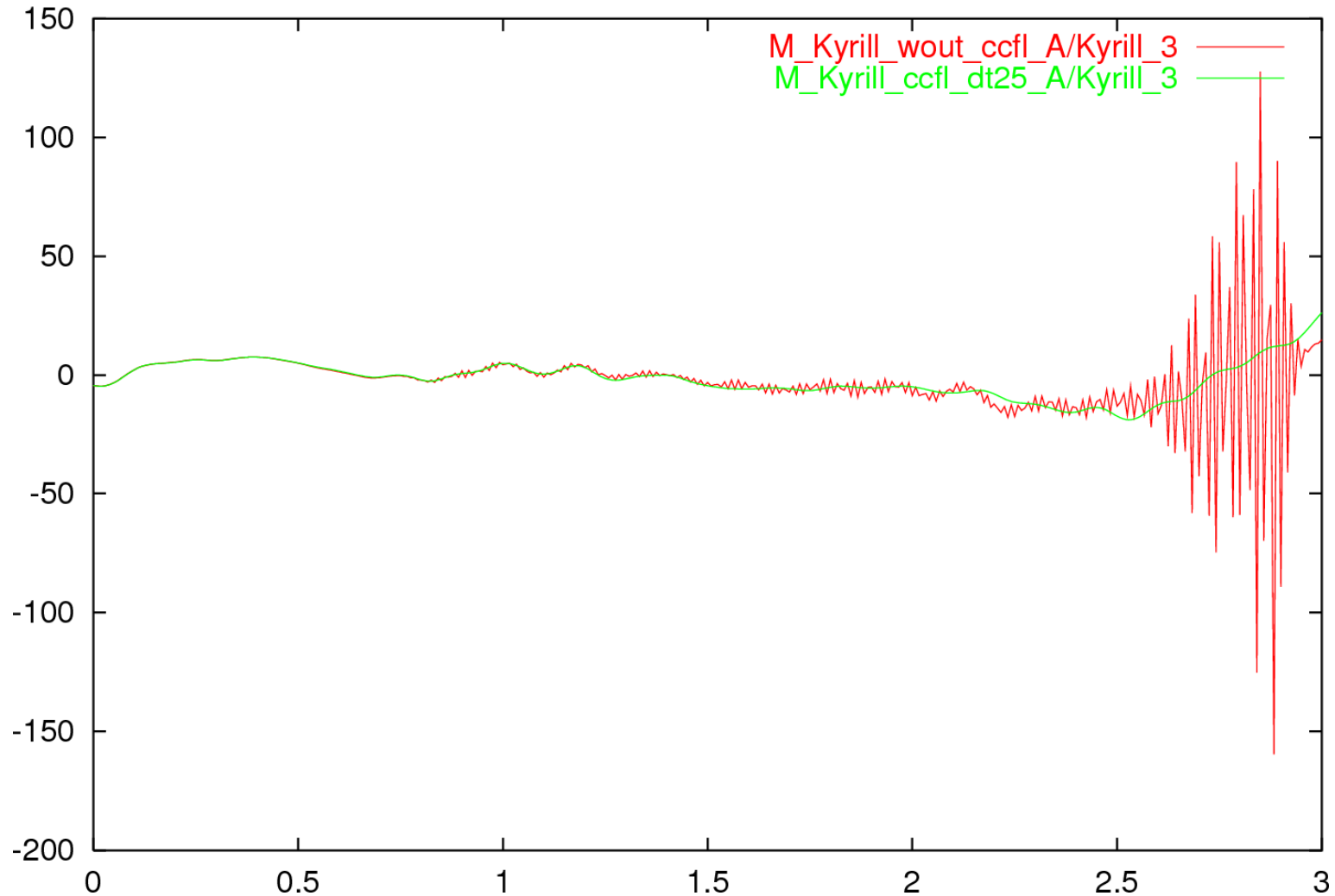
... after 2h48min forecast time

ABS(U)+ABS(V)



Mean: 69.4797    Min: 10.0259    Max: 136.532    Var: 725.777

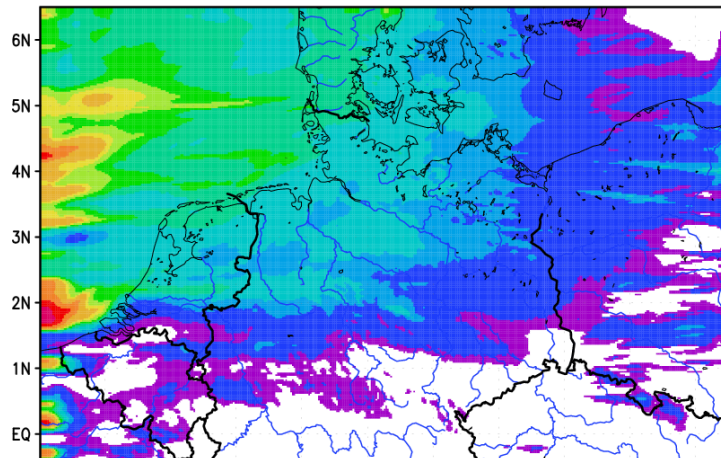
METEOGRAM: Time Series of W at Level 18



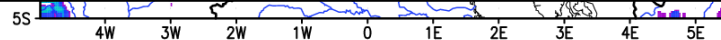
## lateral boundary conditions for $q_r$ and $q_s$ (11 January 2007 – 00 UTC)

valid: 11 JAN 2007 12 UTC  
... after 12 hour(s) forecast time

TOT\_PREC



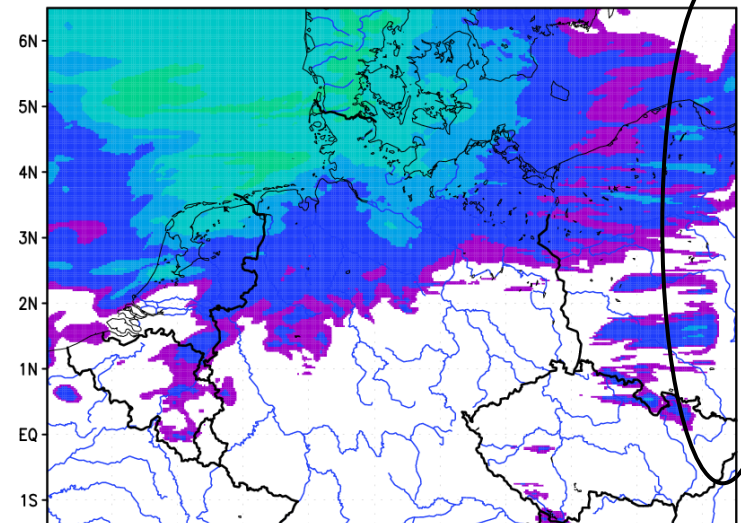
... equivalent to the current pre-operational LMK routine, i.e. new microphysics of LME and **conditional** relaxation of  $q_r$  and  $q_s$ .



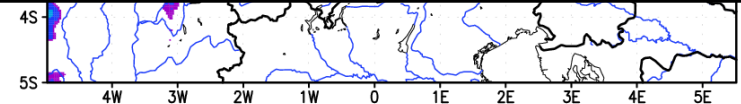
Mean: 3.58347    Min: 0    Max: 146.562    Var: 57.4215

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... after 12 hour(s) forecast time

TOT\_PREC



... ditto, but **unconditional** relaxation von  $q_r$  und  $q_s$ .

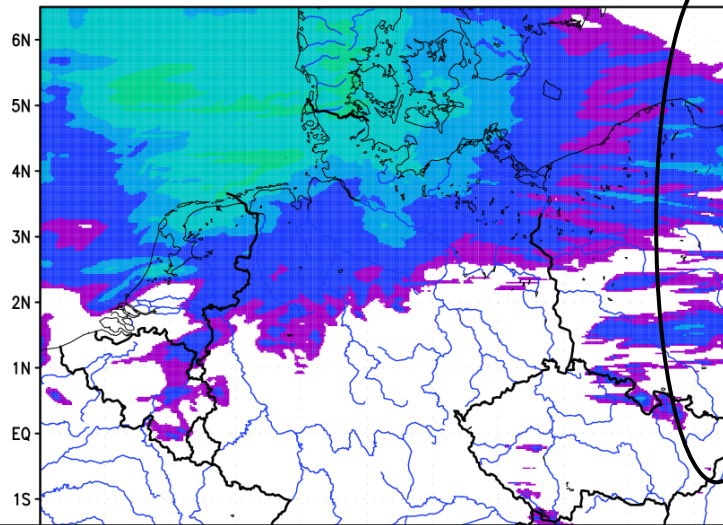


Mean: 1.59928    Min: 0    Max: 14.1384    Var: 7.02553

## lateral boundary conditions for $q_r$ and $q_s$ (11 January 2007 – 00 UTC)

valid: 11 JAN 2007 12 UTC  
 ... after 12 hour(s) forecast time

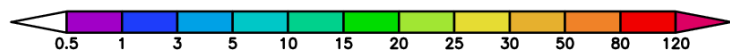
TOT\_PREC



...ditto, but with relaxation of  $q_r$  and  $q_s$  **only at the inflow boundaries.**

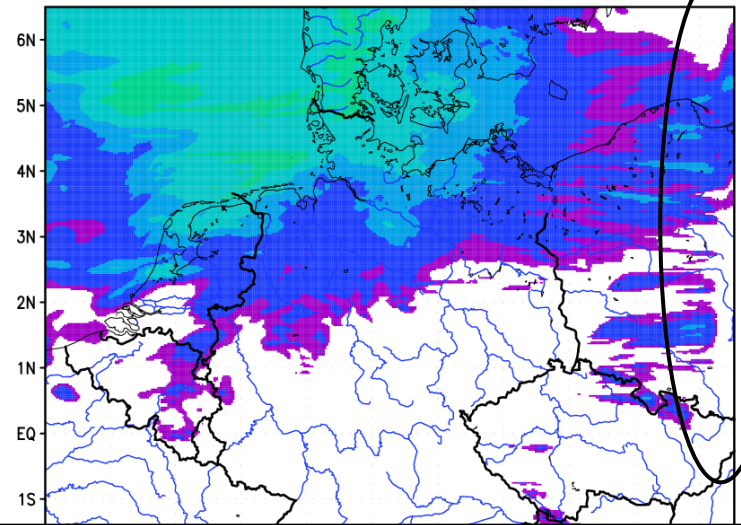
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Mean: 1.575 Min: 0 Max: 28.4092 Var: 6.78652

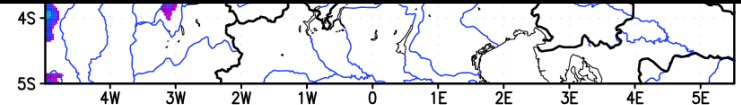


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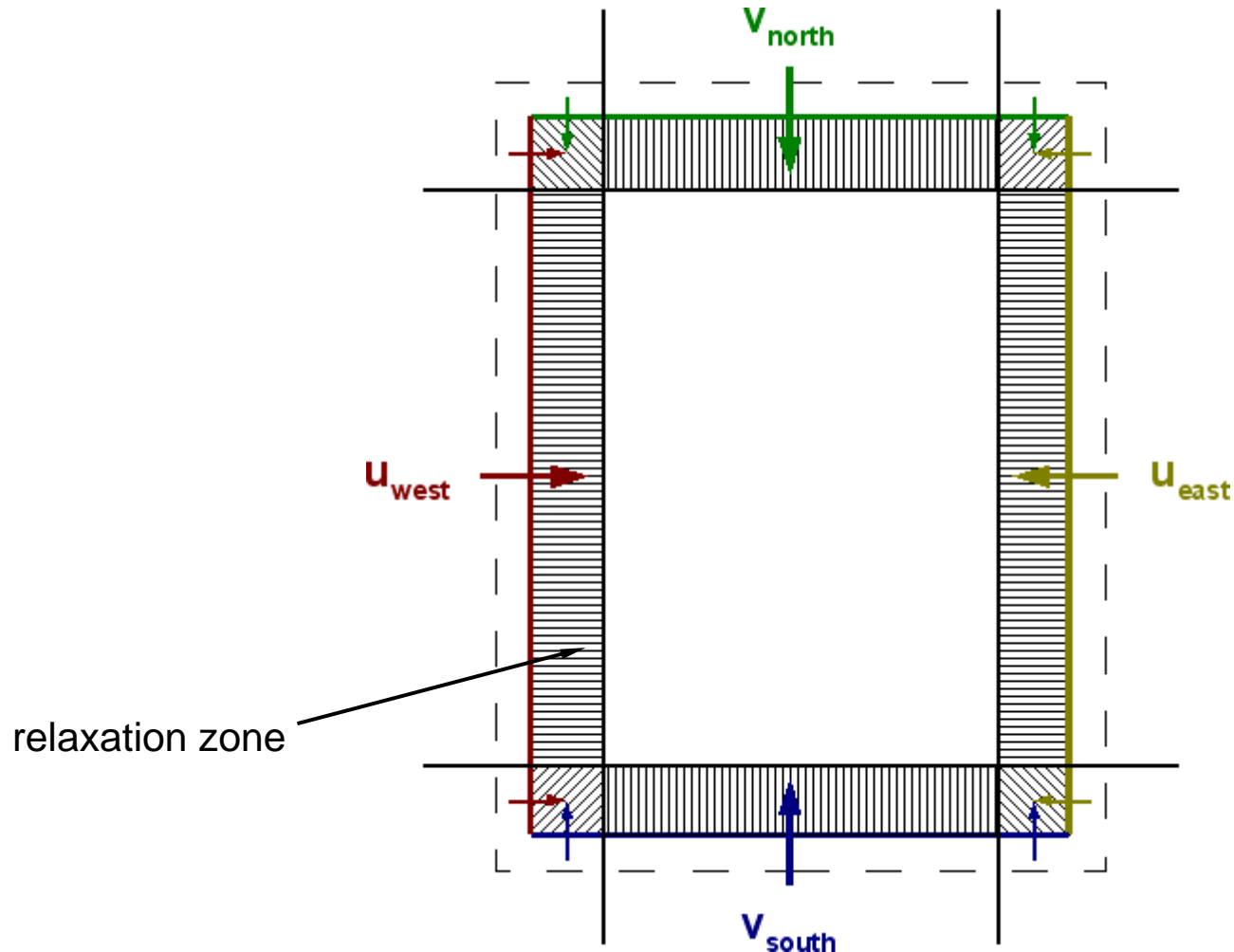
... ditto, but **unconditional** relaxation of  $q_r$  and  $q_s$ .



Mean: 1.59928 Min: 0 Max: 14.1384 Var: 7.02553



## lateral inflow boundary conditions for $q_r$ and $q_s$



## Outlook:

Runge-Kutta Numerics for COSMO-LMK...

## Runge-Kutta Numerics also for COSMO-LME

a) Eulerian advection of  $q_x$  with Bott (1989 → 1993) scheme:

- monotone scheme
- reduced splitting error

... and investigate problems which arose in combination  
with steep orography (d=2006102812)

b) Digital filter initialization (DFI) for Runge-Kutta scheme

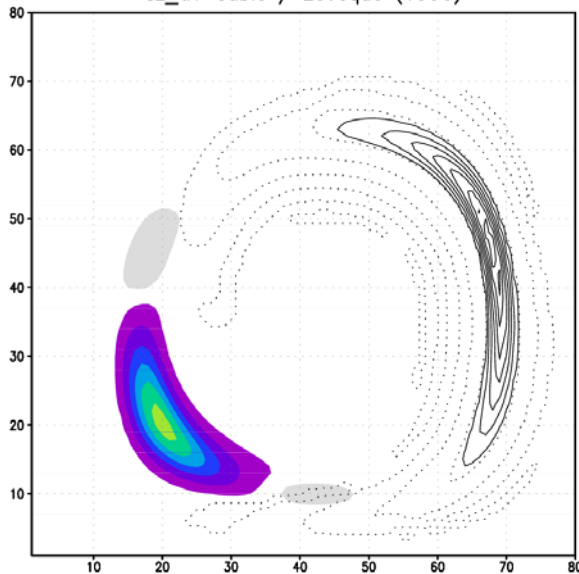
## idealized advection of tracer in a deformational flow field

semi-Lagrange (tri-cubic)

2<sup>nd</sup> order Bott (1989)

4<sup>th</sup> order Bott (1989)

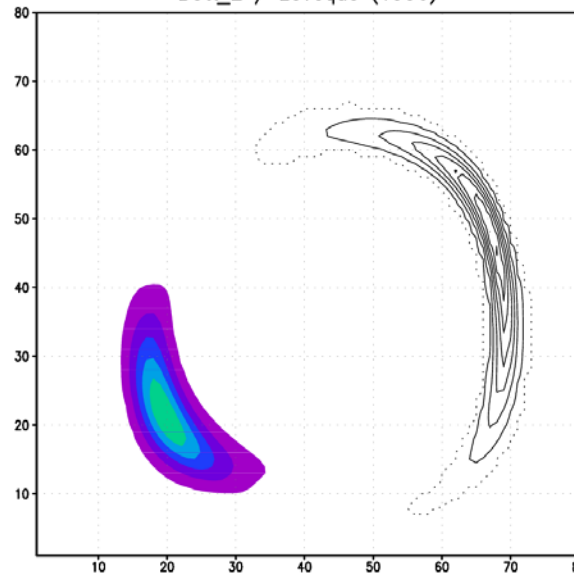
sl\_tri-cubic / LeVeque (1996)



(1x) Min: -0.0277808 Max: 0.271307  
(0.5x) Min: -0.0419872 Max: 0.338216



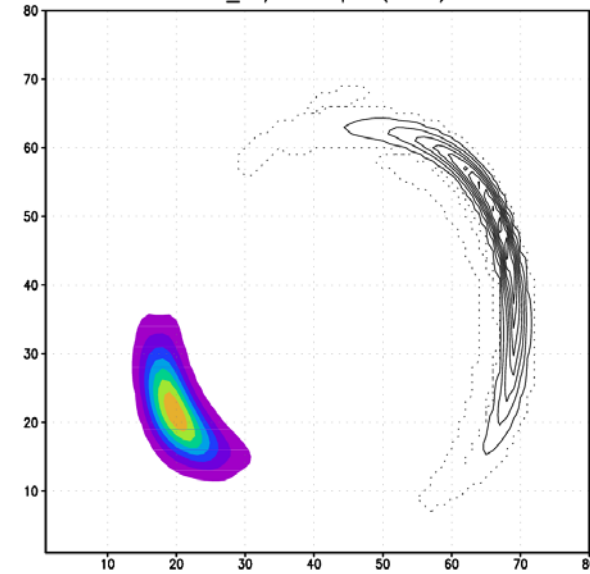
Bott\_2 / LeVeque (1996)



(1x) Min: 0 Max: 0.247555  
(0.5x) Min: 0 Max: 0.30471



Bott\_4 / LeVeque (1996)



(1x) Min: 0 Max: 0.345528  
(0.5x) Min: 0 Max: 0.38604



initial condition respectively **exact solution:**  
**cone with maximum of 1.0 at (20,20)**