

# R&D of common basic library and environment for atmospheric models


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# Introduction

- \* Resolution of atmospheric simulations has been getting higher and more generic models become more sophisticated
  - \* These require more data and more
- \* Computers have become faster and more powerful
  - \* massive parallelism
  - \* heterogeneous architectures
  - \* relatively slower memory / interconnect / IO



**“The Free Lunch is Over!”** Sutter (2005)

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- \* Development of models taking account of computer system (architecture, interconnect, system software, etc) is required
    - \* Collaboration with computer scientists is necessary
  - \* So we started research and development of a new atmospheric model and library for future atmospheric simulations on peta scale or post-peta machines
    - \* an atmospheric large-eddy simulation (LES) model
    - \* common basic library and environment for atmospheric modes

# Atmospheric LES model (SCALE-LES)

# Concept

- \* Try schemes or methods and test their feasibility for future atmospheric simulations
  - \* Co-design with computer scientists
- \* Target is large domain & high resolution simulations (toward future global LES)
  - \* Making a reference solution to quantitatively validate schemes used today
- \* Knowledge obtained by development of this model will be included in the common basic library

# Model Description

- \* Dynamics

- \* Full explicit (HEVE)
- \* spatial differential : the 4<sup>th</sup> central difference
- \* time integration: the 3<sup>rd</sup> order explicit Runge-Kutta scheme
- \* Flux correlation transport (FCT) scheme

- \* Physics

- \* SGS turbulence: Smagorinsky-Lilly type (Brown et al. 1994)
- \* Cloud physics: 2-moment 6 category bulk (Seiki and Nakajima 2013), Bin method (Suzuki et al. 2010)
- \* Surface turbulence flux: Louise type bulk (Uno et al. 1995)
- \* Radiation: MSTRNX (Sekiguchi and Nakajima 2008)

# Why “Full Explicit”

- \* isotropic grid
  - \* smaller scale turbulence is rather 3D, though larger scale phenomenon are 2D.
  - \* LES theorem is based on isotropic turbulence
- \* naïve
- \* neighbor communication
  - \* good for parallelization

# Current scientific targets

- \* Stratocumulus
  - \* transition to cumulus
- \* Martian planetary boundary layer
  - \* turbulence
  - \* dust devil
- \* Urban heavy rain

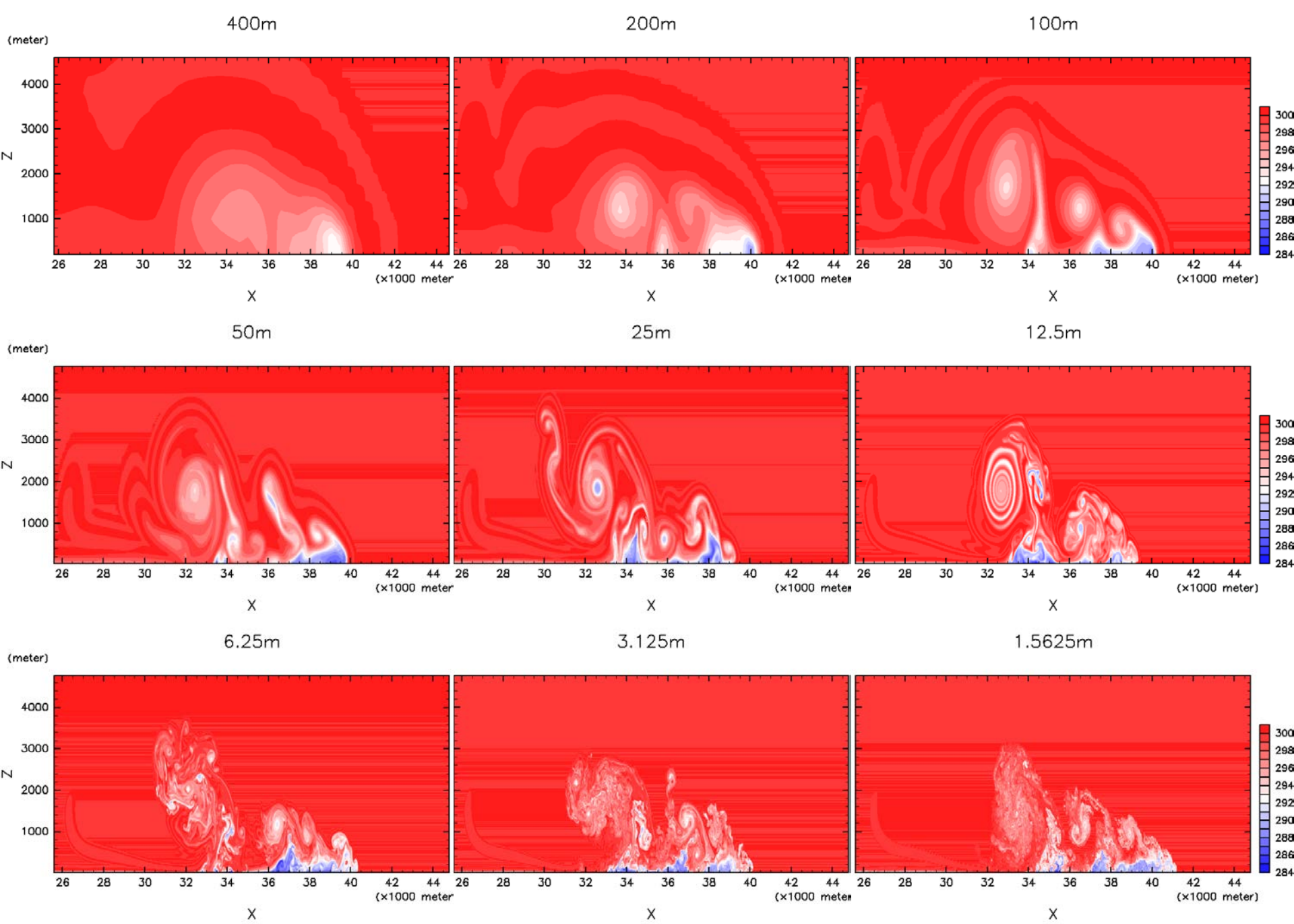


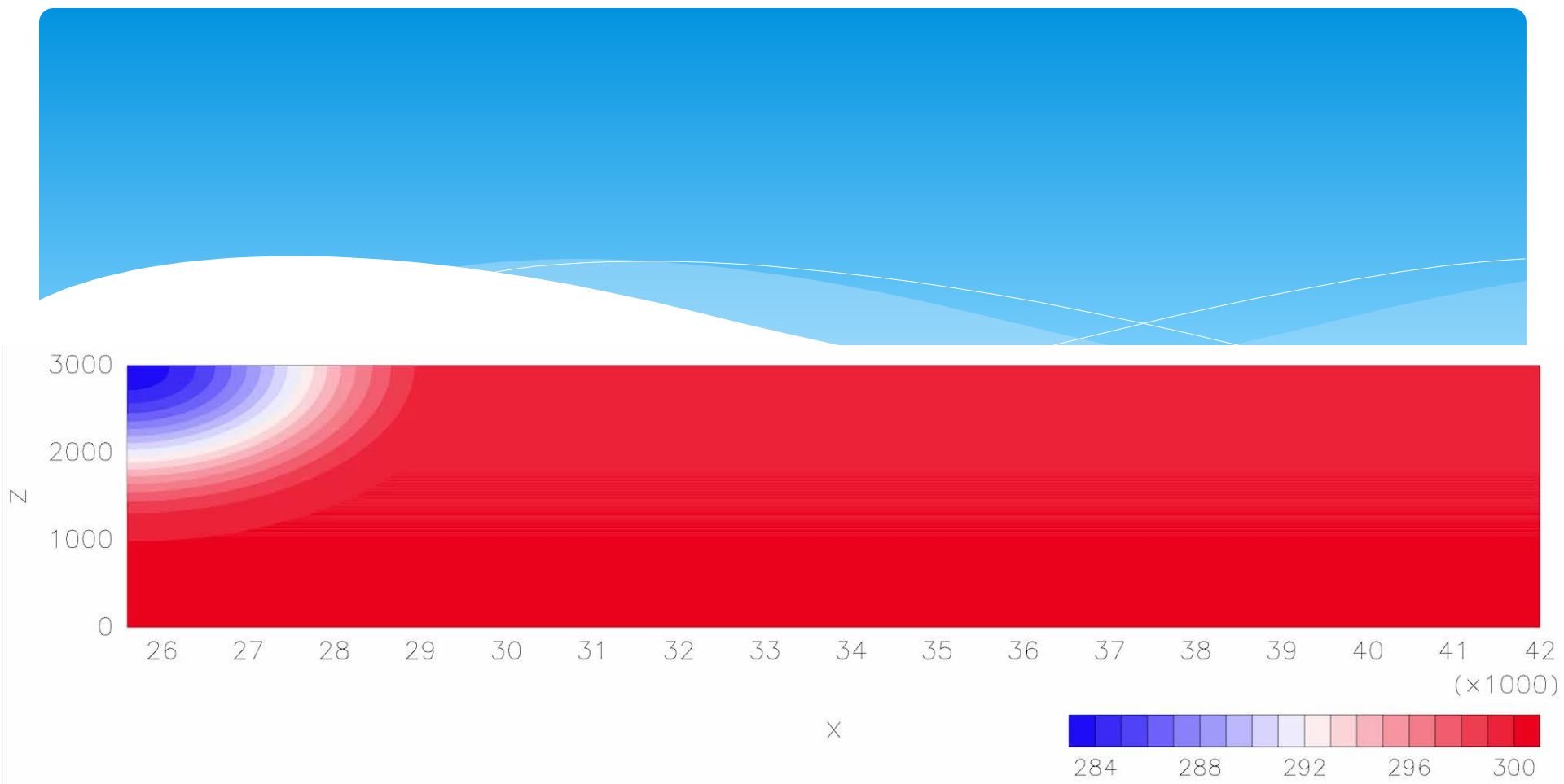
# Example of experiments

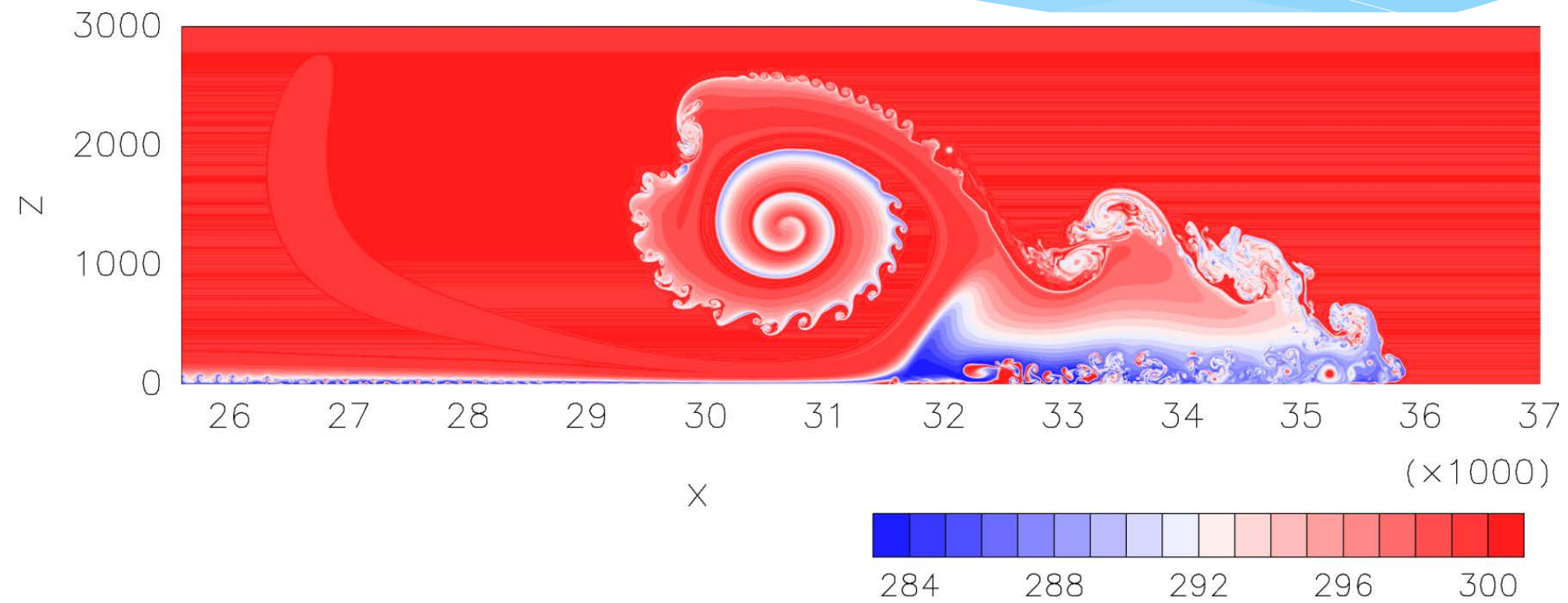
- \* Gravity current experiment
- \* Stratocumulus experiment


# Gravity current experiment

- \* a benchmark test (Straka et al. 1993)
  - \* resolution: 400m - 1.5625m (2D)
  - \* domain size: 51.2km x 6.4km
  - \* integration period: 900 sec.
  - \* no physical viscosity / diffusion (with numerical filter)



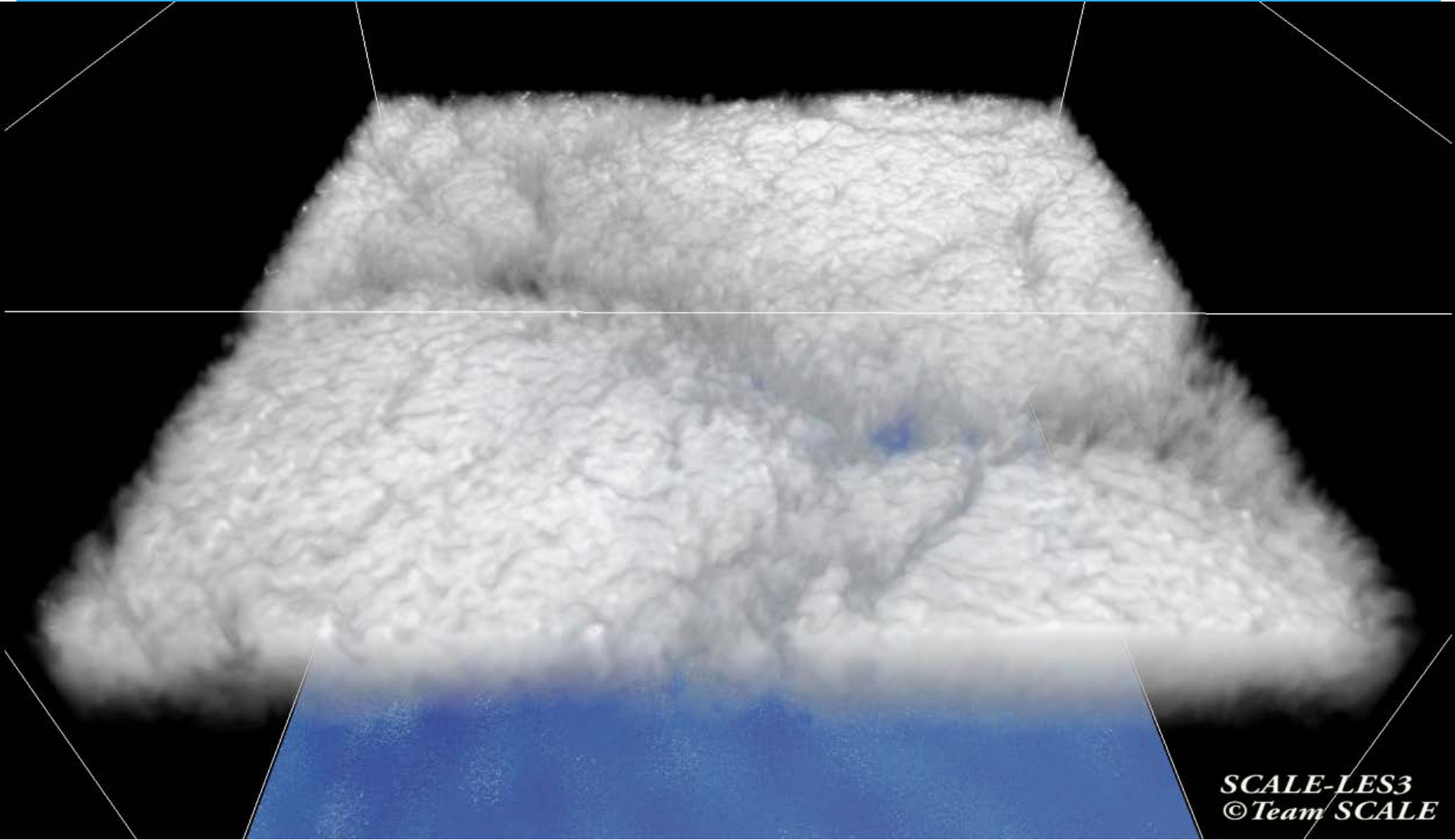




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- \* In 12.5m experiment, the secondary instability is not resolved, and some parameterization to represent smaller eddies, such as eddy viscosity, should be introduced
  - \* coefficient for the eddy viscosity can be estimated from the result of the higher resolution experiment


# Stratocumulus experiment

- \* DYCOMS-II RF01 (Stevens et al. 2005)
  - \* resolution: 5m x 5m x 5m
  - \* domain size: 3.36km x 3.36km x 1.5km
  - \* integration period: 4 hours
  - \* Cloud physics: 2-moment bulk (Seiki et al. 2013)



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- \* We are going to extend this simulation to large domain to investigate transition from stratocumulus to cumulus

# Validation of current schemes

We try to quantitatively confirm validity of

- \* non-isotropic grid
  - \* valid range of aspect ratio ( $\Delta x/\Delta z$ )
- \* HEVI (horizontally explicit, vertically implicit)
  - \* valid range of aspect ratio and time interval ( $\Delta t$ )
- \* etc

# Common Basic Library and Environment

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- \* Difficulty in development of models becomes more serious
    - \* efficient use of computational resources becomes difficult
    - \* number of components get increasing
    - \* each component becomes more sophisticated and complex
  - \* Diversity of atmospheric models is important for soundness of atmospheric numerical study

These require more human / temporal resources

We started an activity to develop a common basic library and environment for atmospheric models



- \* purpose

- \* sharing codes and knowledge between models or groups
  - \* reducing development costs
- \* enabling to switch schemes easily
- \* supporting multiple computer architectures

- \* possible solutions

- \* unified API / model structure
  - \* dynamical and physical processes, IO, utilities
  - \* coupler
- \* documentation
- \* standard test cases
- \* analysis/visualization tools (parallel capable)
- \* domain specific language (should be Fortran user friendly)
- \* (introduced knowledge by developing SCALE-LES)

# collaborators

- \* AFES, CReSS, Dennon, GAIA, Jcup, JMA/MRI, MATUSIRO, MIROC, MSSG, NICAM, SCALE (alphabetical order)

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# Summary

- \* We have developed a LES model and common basic library and environment for future atmospheric simulations
  - \* SCALE-LES
    - \* wide & high resolution experiment
    - \* investigation for future simulation
    - \* validation of currently used schemes
  - \* common basic library and environment
    - \* share codes and knowledge
    - \* optimized to computer systems