

# The two-way online-coupled model ICONGETM: Regridding strategy and capabilities provided by the X-Grid structure from ESMF

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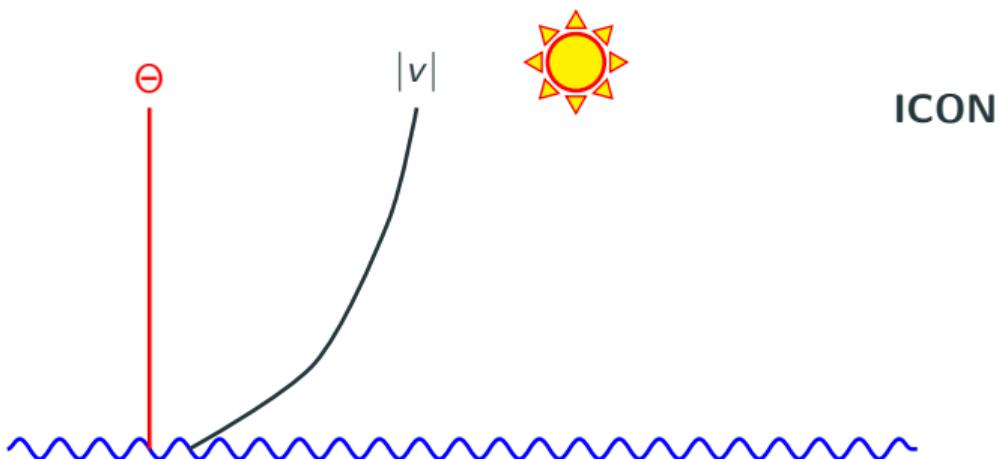
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Wind map of central Europe

[www.wetter3.de](http://www.wetter3.de) (14.03.2019)



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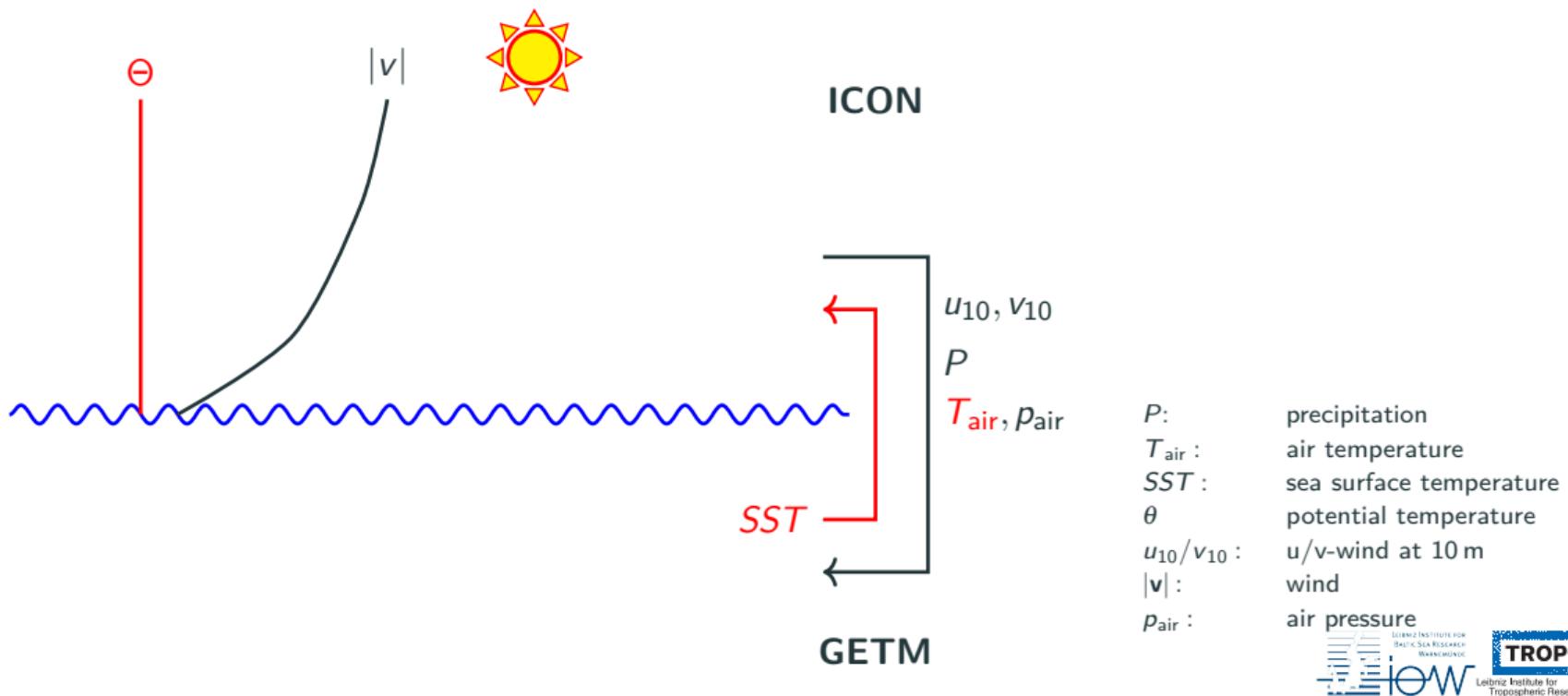
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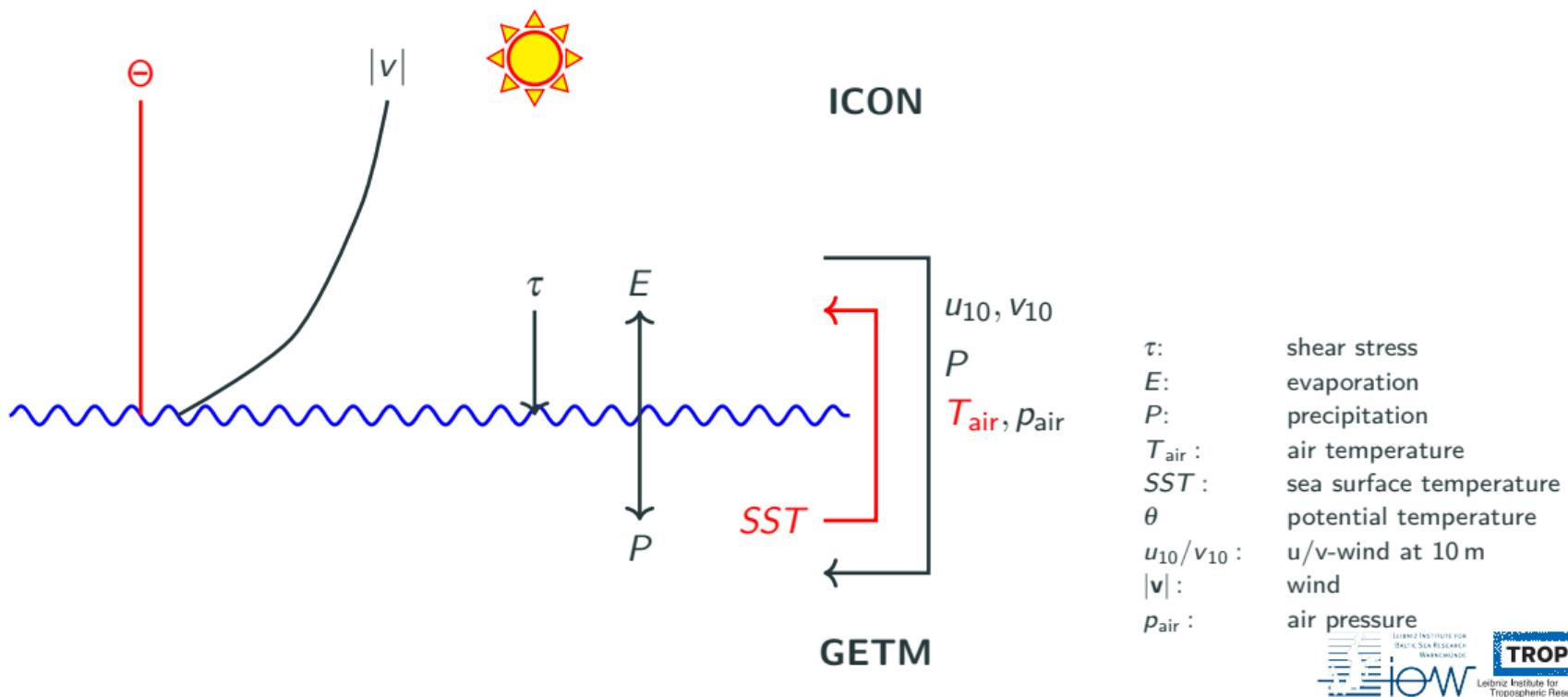
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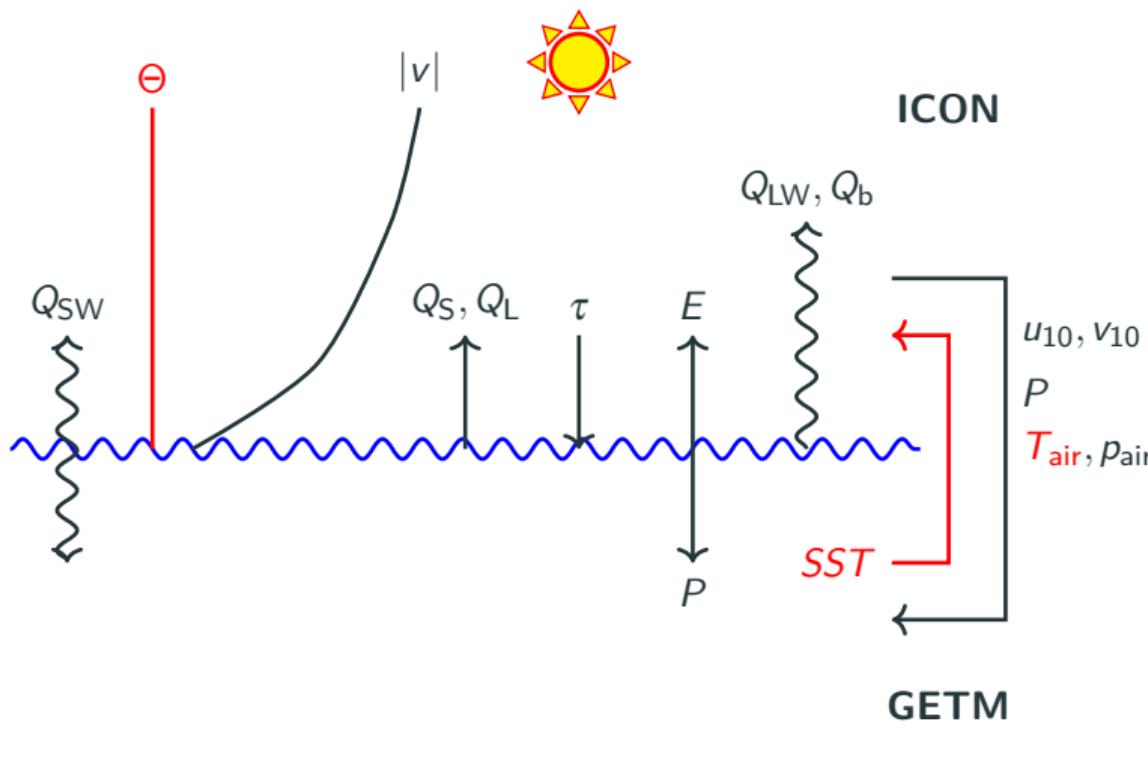
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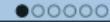
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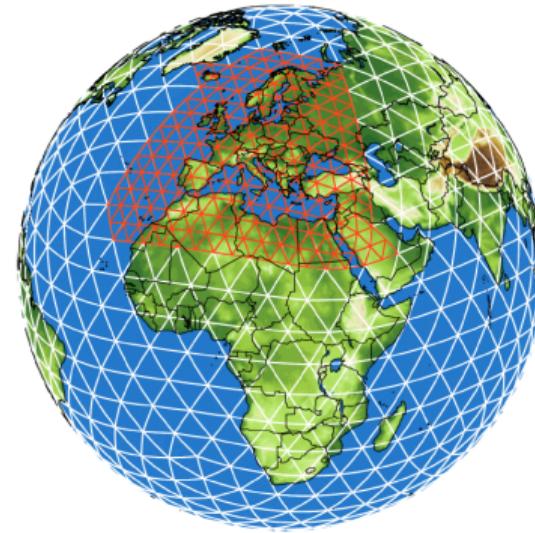
$Q_s, Q_l$ :	sensible/latent heat flux
$Q_{SW}$ :	solar short wave
$Q_{LW}$ :	radiative flux
$Q_{LW}$ :	terrestrial long wave
$Q_b$ :	radiative flux
$u_{10}, v_{10}$	long wave net radiative flux
$P$	shear stress
$T_{air}$	air temperature
$E$	evaporation
$P$	precipitation
$T_{air}$ :	air temperature
$SST$ :	sea surface temperature
$\theta$	potential temperature
$u_{10}/v_{10}$ :	u/v-wind at 10 m
$ v $ :	wind
$p_{air}$ :	air pressure



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- *Simulation configuration based on DWD forecast*

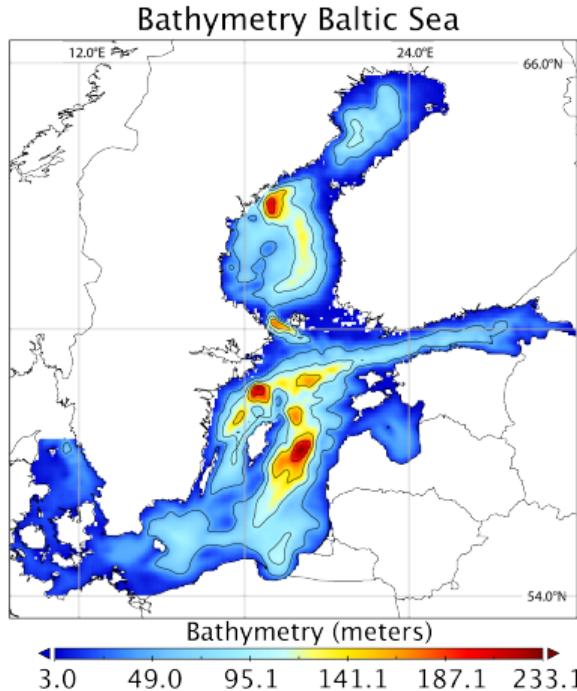
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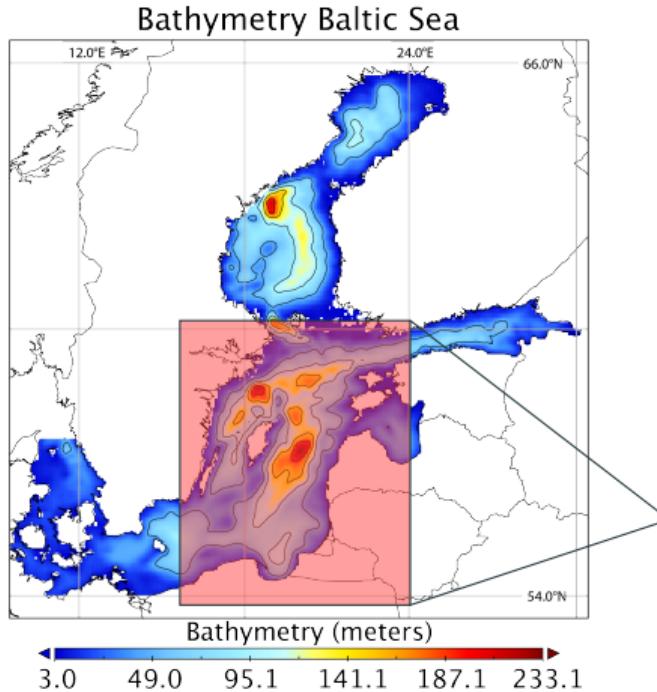


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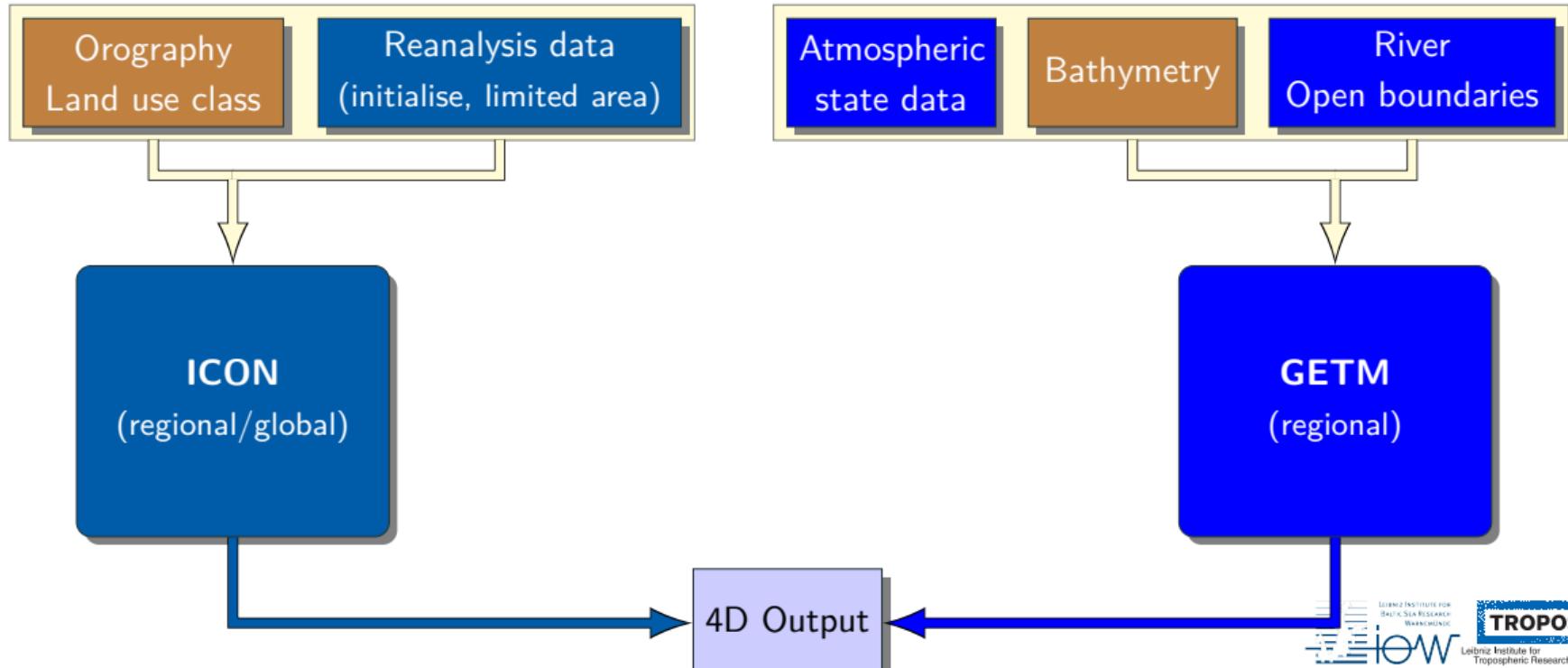


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- *Simulation setup from Holtermann et al., 2014*

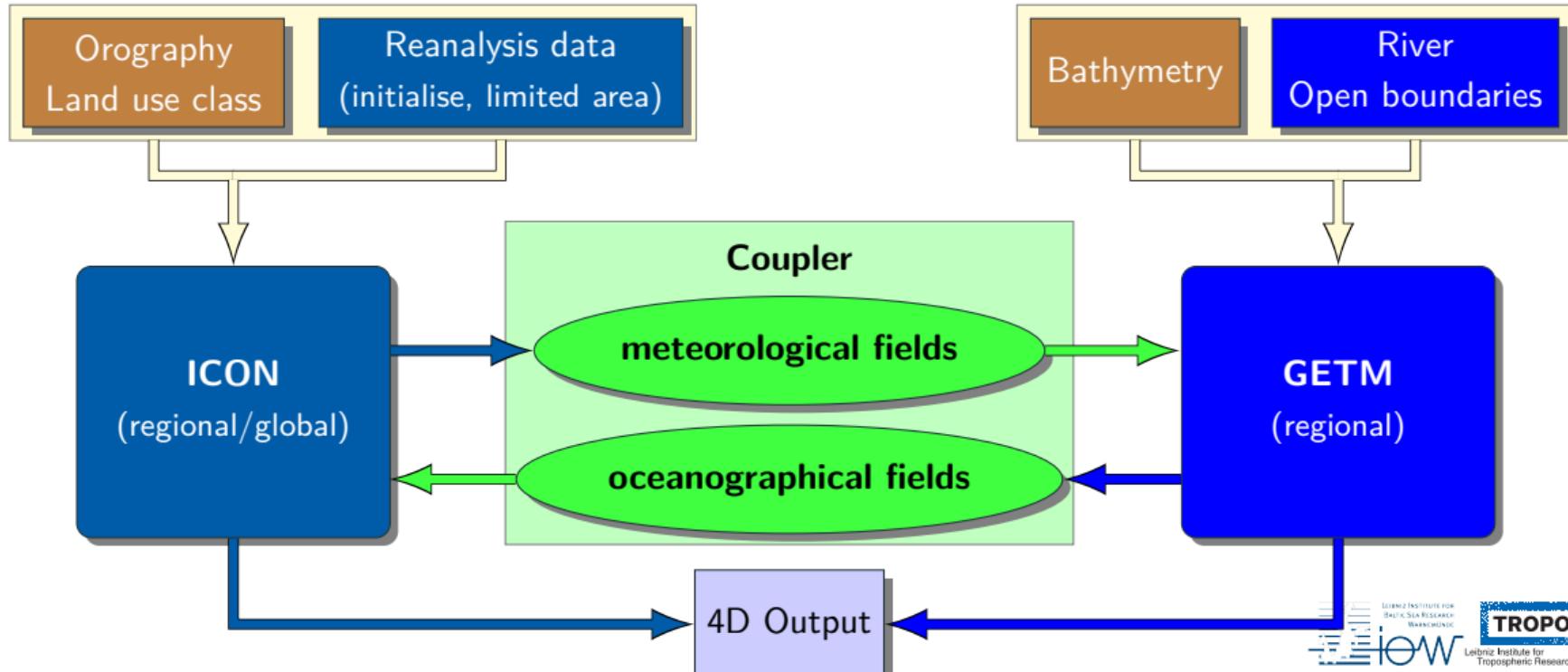
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# ICON & GETM: Model Scheme

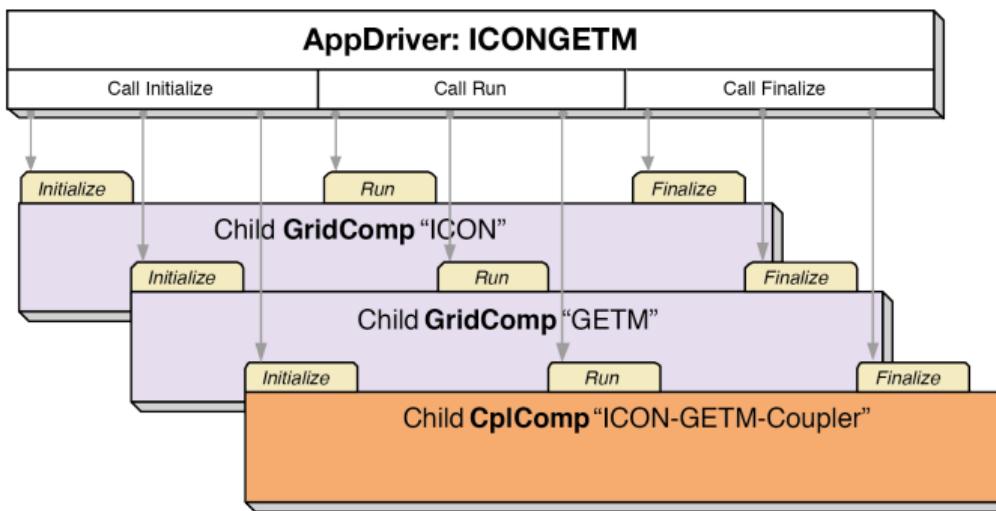


# ICONGETM: Model Scheme





# ESMF: Coupling Strategy (with NUOPC)

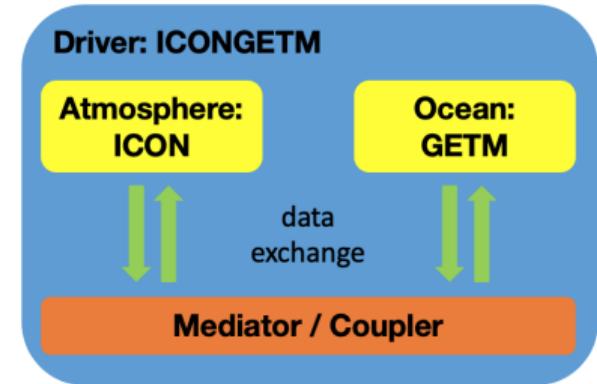


**AppDriver:** supervising of coupled model run

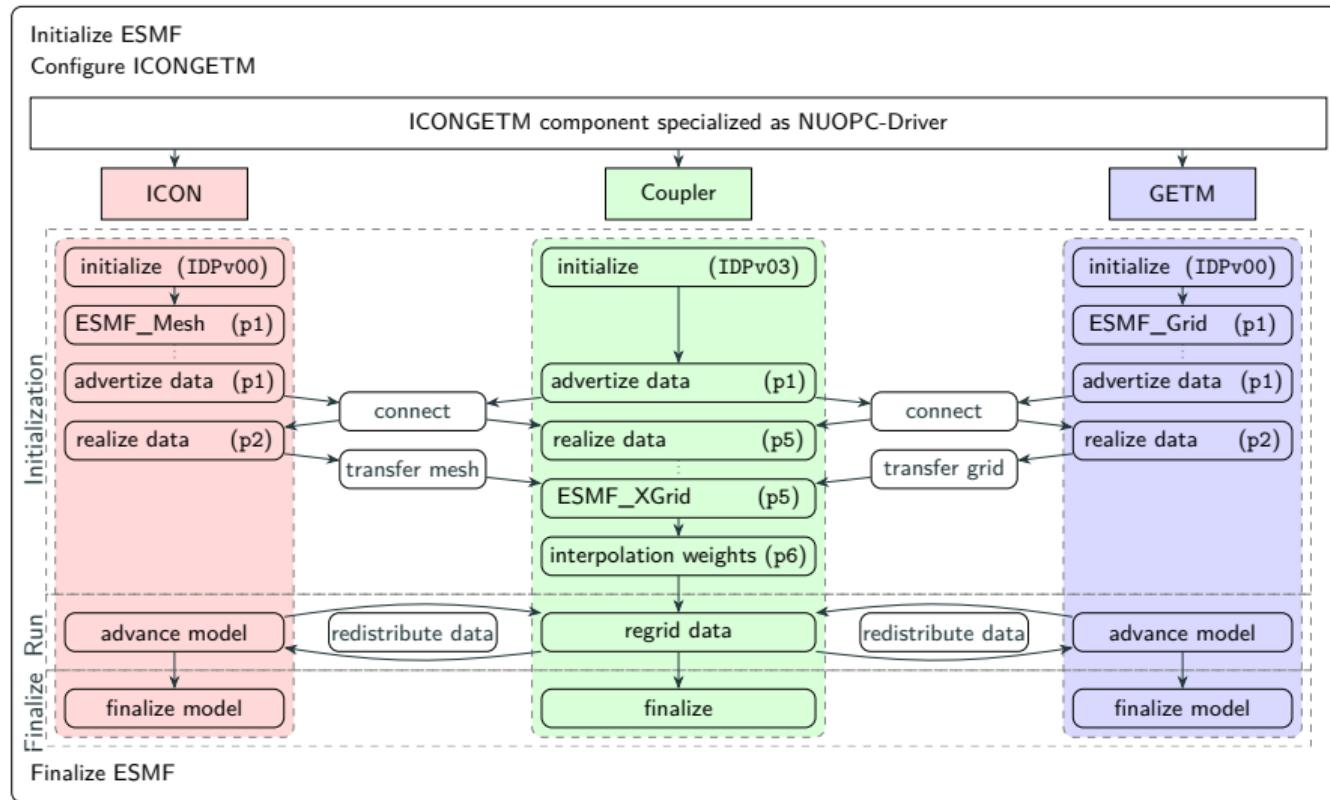
**GridComp:** running of original models

**CplComp:** interpolation/exchange of data

- Concurrent coupling structure
- Use of NUOPC interface layer



# ICONGETM: Simulation sequence



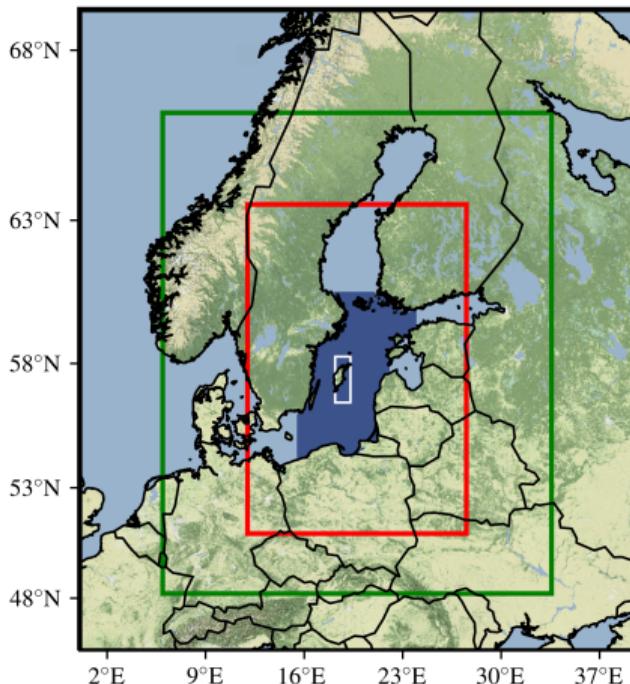
ICON: NUOPC-Model

GETM: NUOPC-Model

Coupler: NUOPC-Mediator  
 → NUOPC-Connector

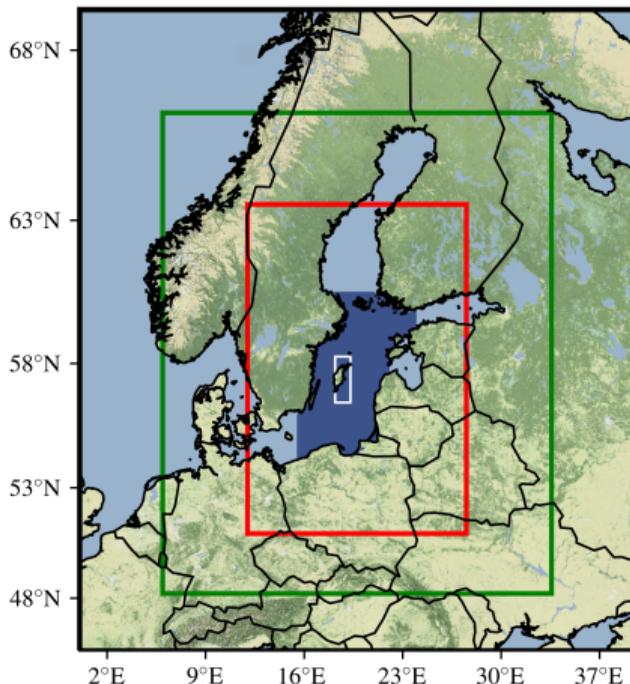
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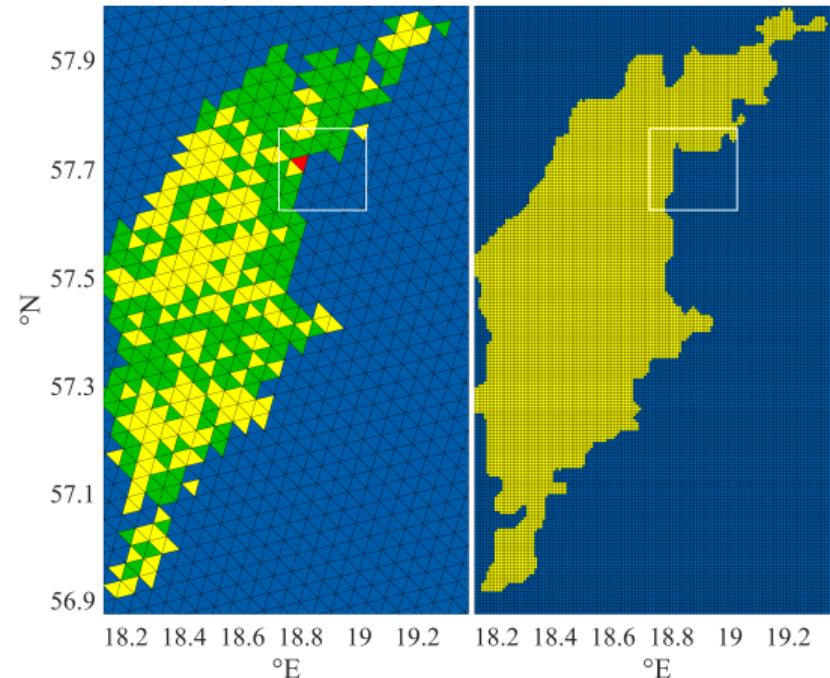


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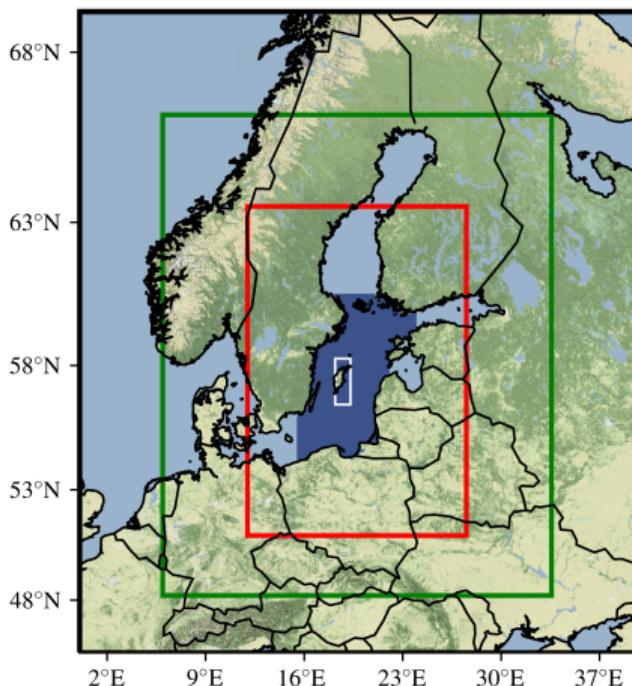
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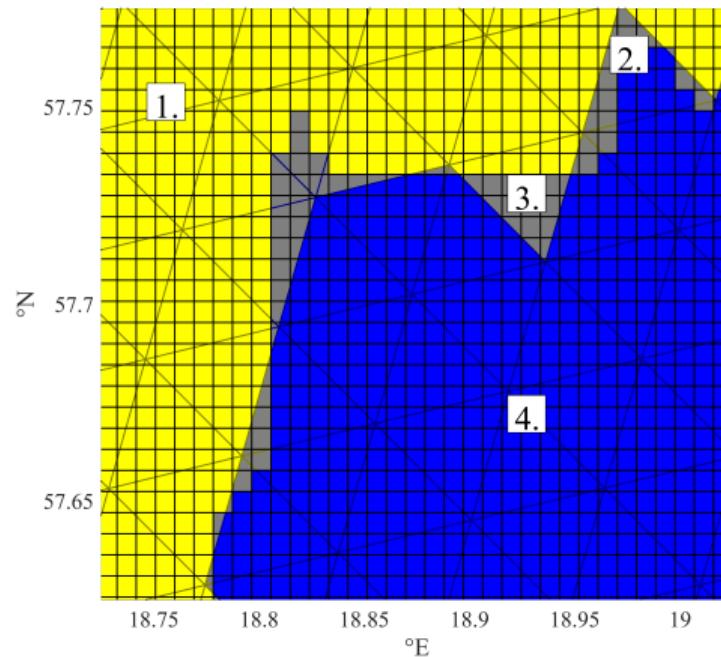


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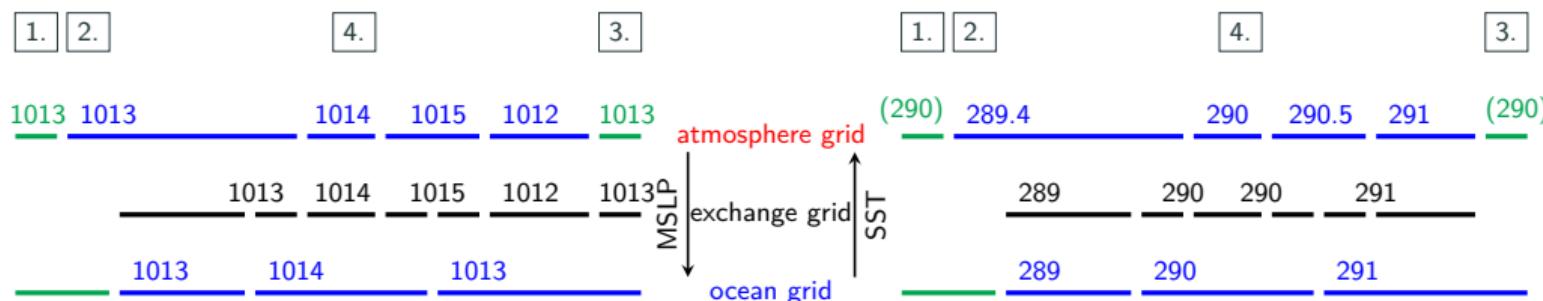
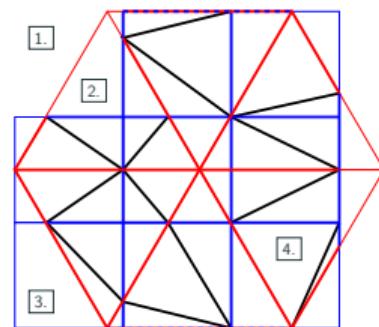
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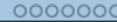


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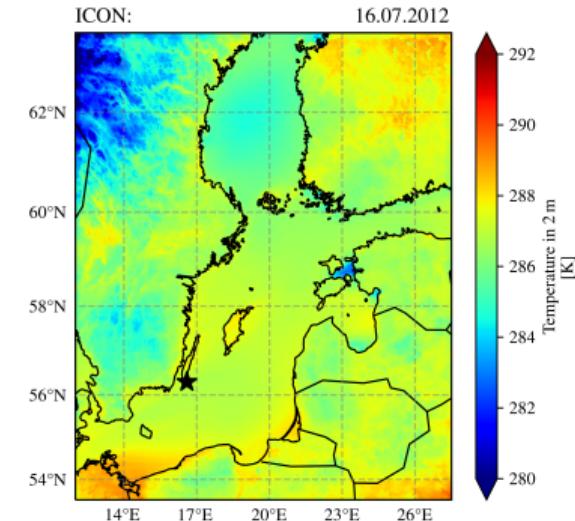
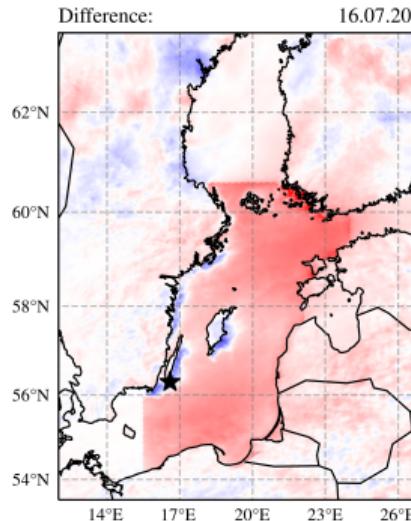
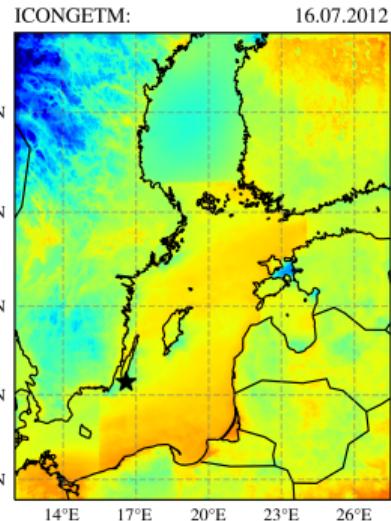
# Interpolation issues due to grid structure – ESMF\_XGrid

- Interpolate data from **ESMF\_Grid** to **ESMF\_XGrid** and vice versa
- Interpolate data from **ESMF\_Mesh** to **ESMF\_XGrid** and vice versa with sparse matrix multiplication



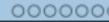


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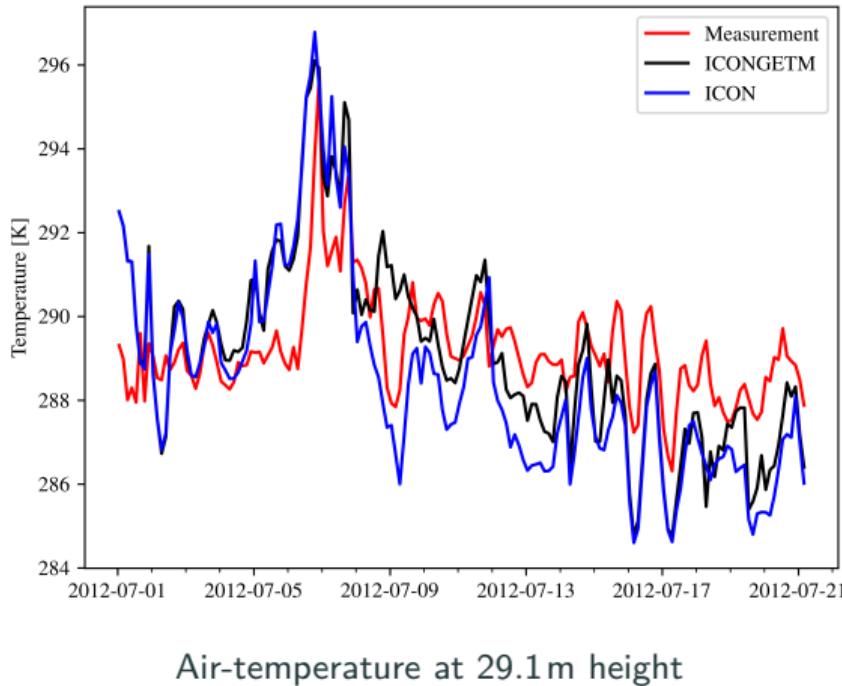


Air-temperature in 2m height over Baltic Sea

- Complex feedback on sea surface temperature, wind and air pressure at surface
- Differences, 16th of July 12UTC: approx. 2 K



# Demonstration: Central Baltic Sea July 2012: Air-temperature



Air-temperature at 29.1 m height

- Two-way coupled, one-way coupled/uncoupled simulations vs. measurement from RV Meteor
- Underestimation of temperature up to 2.5 m in ICON
- Better agreement of temporal development in ICONGETM vs measurement, especially after 10 days
- Overall, more realistic representation of weather conditions

# Demonstration: Central Baltic Sea July 2012: Water-temperature

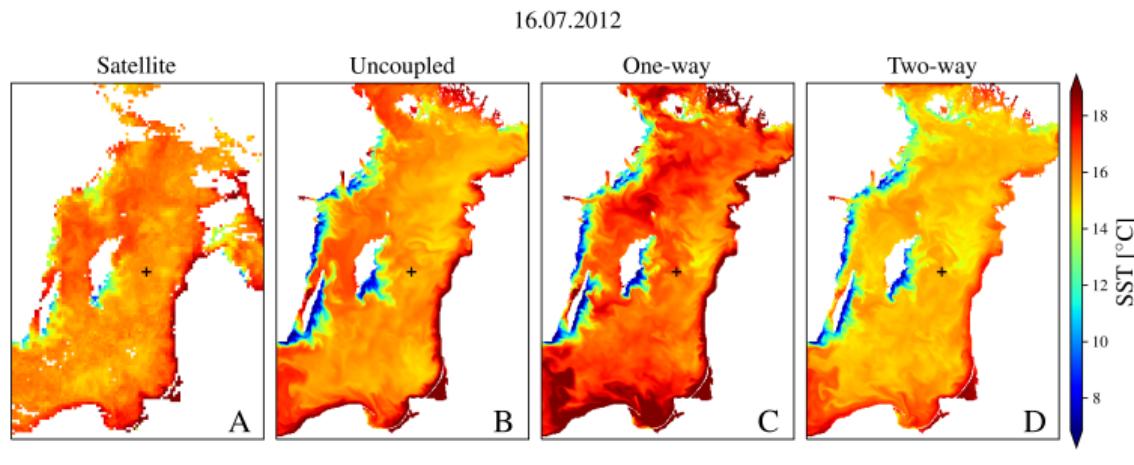


Water-temperature in 5 m depth

- Overestimation of water-temperature after 12 days in one-way coupled simulation
- Heat flux calculation in two-way coupled simulation based on GETM-SST

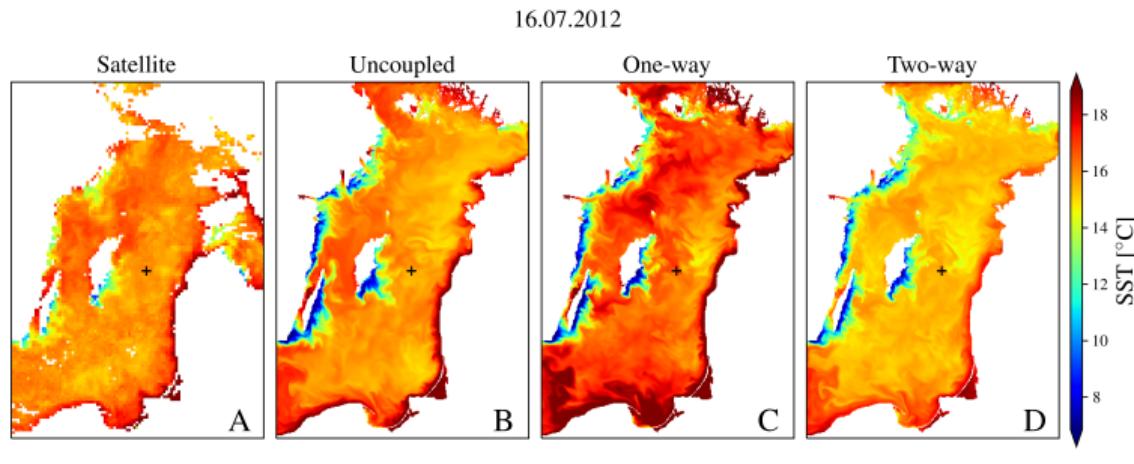
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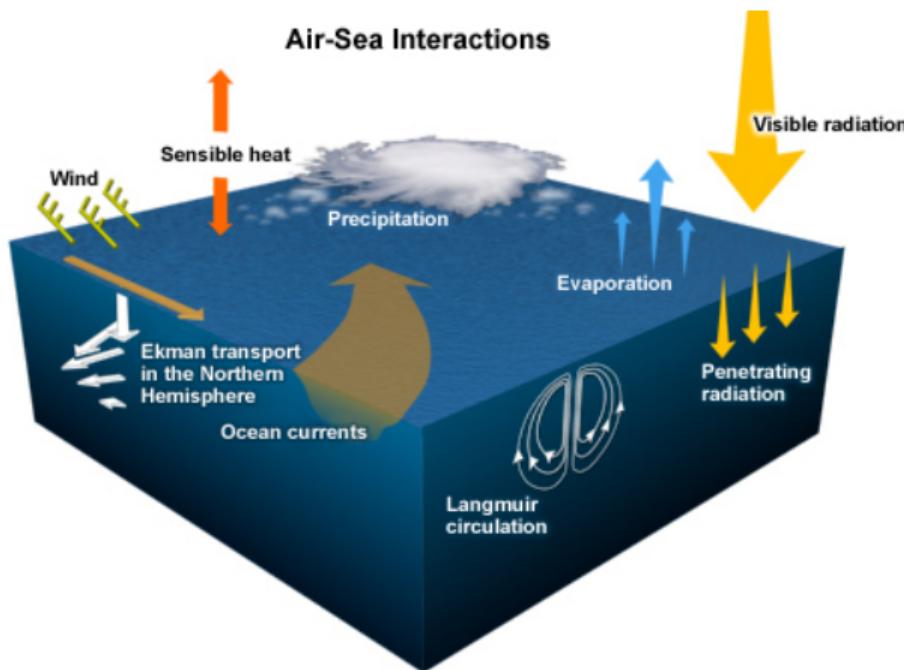




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