

## Multiple Scales in Fluid Dynamics and Meteorology The DFG Priority Programme MetStröm

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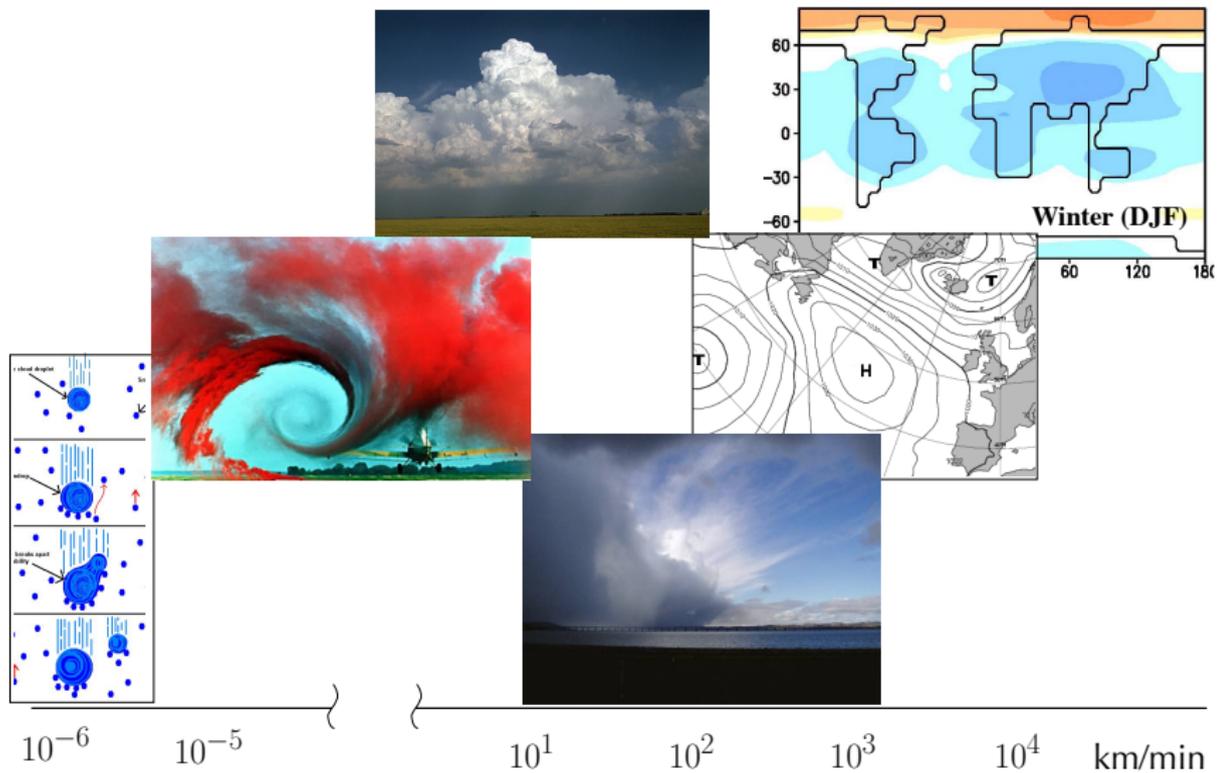
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# Scales in Meteorology and Fluid Dynamics







Adaptive dynamic kernels for meteorological models and adaptive flow solvers exist today, but

- ▶ no systematic formulations of closure models or parameterizations for small scale, non-solved processes applicable on dynamically adaptive grids.
- ▶ parameterizations will have to depend on the type of numerical scheme adopted in the dynamic kernel.

How do flow solvers and subgrid-scale closures interact, and how do numerical and subgrid-scale modelling errors conspire to perturb the accuracy of a simulation.

# MetStröm: What it is / What it does

## MetStröm ...

- ▶ covers Meteorology, Fluid Dynamics, and Applied Mathematics
- ▶ develops model- and grid-adaptive numerical simulation concepts in multidisciplinary projects

## Goal

- ▶ simulation models which combines scale-dependent (mathematical) descriptions of key physical processes with adaptive flow discretization schemes
- ▶ focus on the theory and methodology of multiscale meteorological-fluid mechanics modeling
- ▶ reference experiments to support model validation

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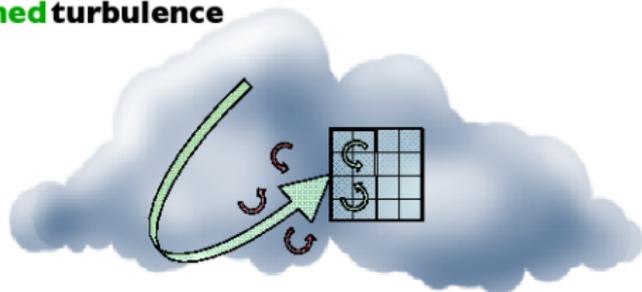
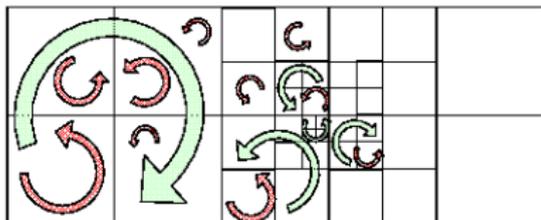
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# Turbulence modeling (LES)

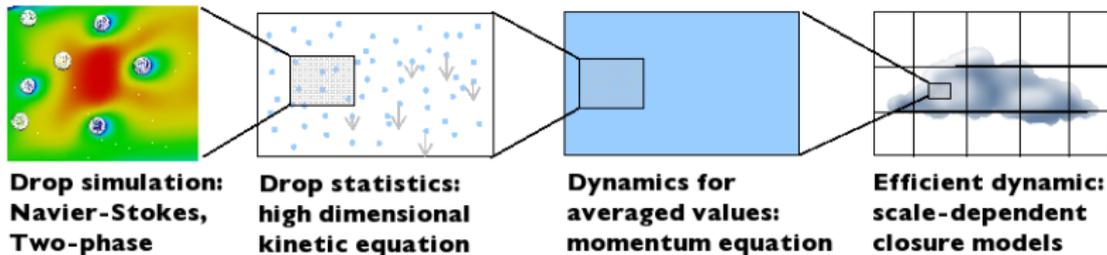
interaction of subgrid model and numerical approximation considering discretization of high order

**modelled** turbulence becomes **detached** turbulence



# Closure approaches

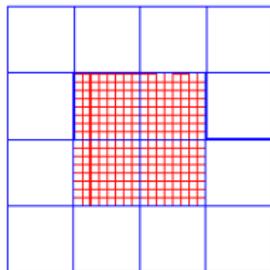
closely related to those used, e.g., in modelling chemical processes, bubble swarms, granular media



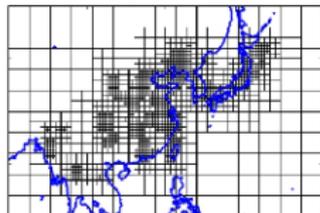
# Adaptive modeling

issues and strategies for adaptive models: (sub-)grid improvement

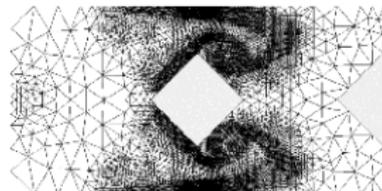
**State of the art:**  
**static grid nesting**



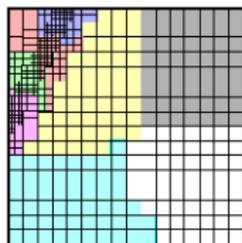
**Goal:**  
**dynamic adaptive grids**



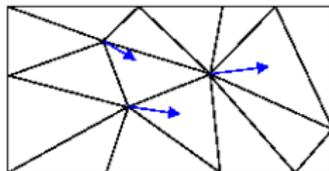
**h-method**



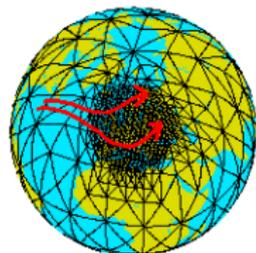
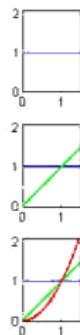
**load balancing**



**r-method**



**p-method**



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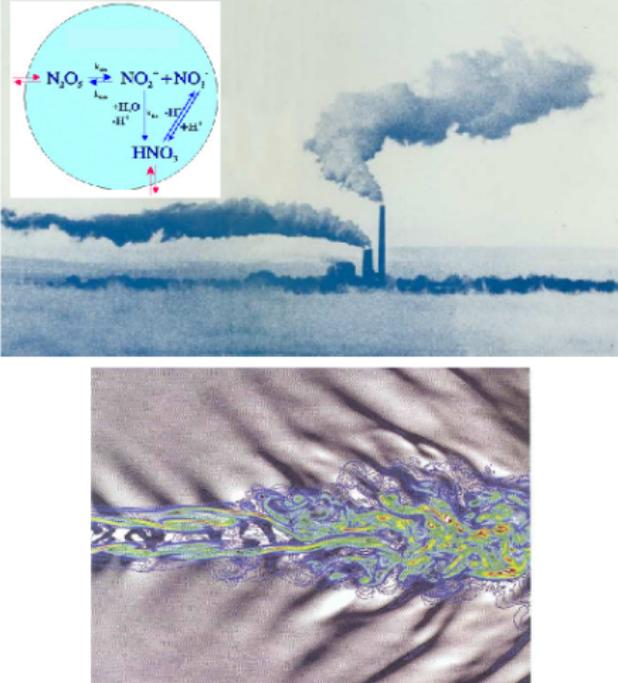
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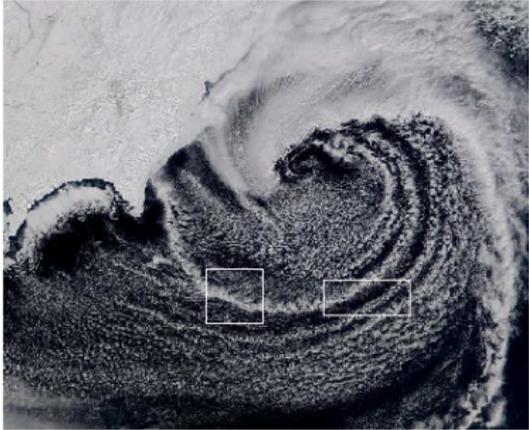
# Large Scales / Dynamics and Comp. Models

Topics: chemical transport processes, wave turbulence, atmospheric cyclones



The top-left diagram shows a chemical cycle:  $N_2O_2 \rightleftharpoons NO_2 + NO_2$ . Below it, arrows indicate reactions with  $H_2O$  (forming  $HNO_3$ ),  $H^+$ , and  $H^-$ . The middle image shows a factory with smokestacks emitting a plume of smoke. The bottom image is a 3D visualization of a complex, filamentary turbulent structure.

**reference experiment:  
baroclinic waves  
gravity waves**

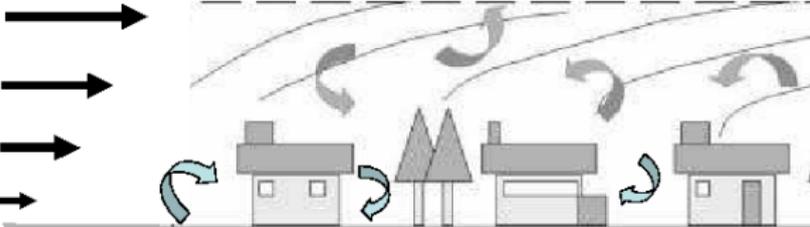


# Turbulence / Approaches to LES

Topic: turbulent flows over complex surfaces

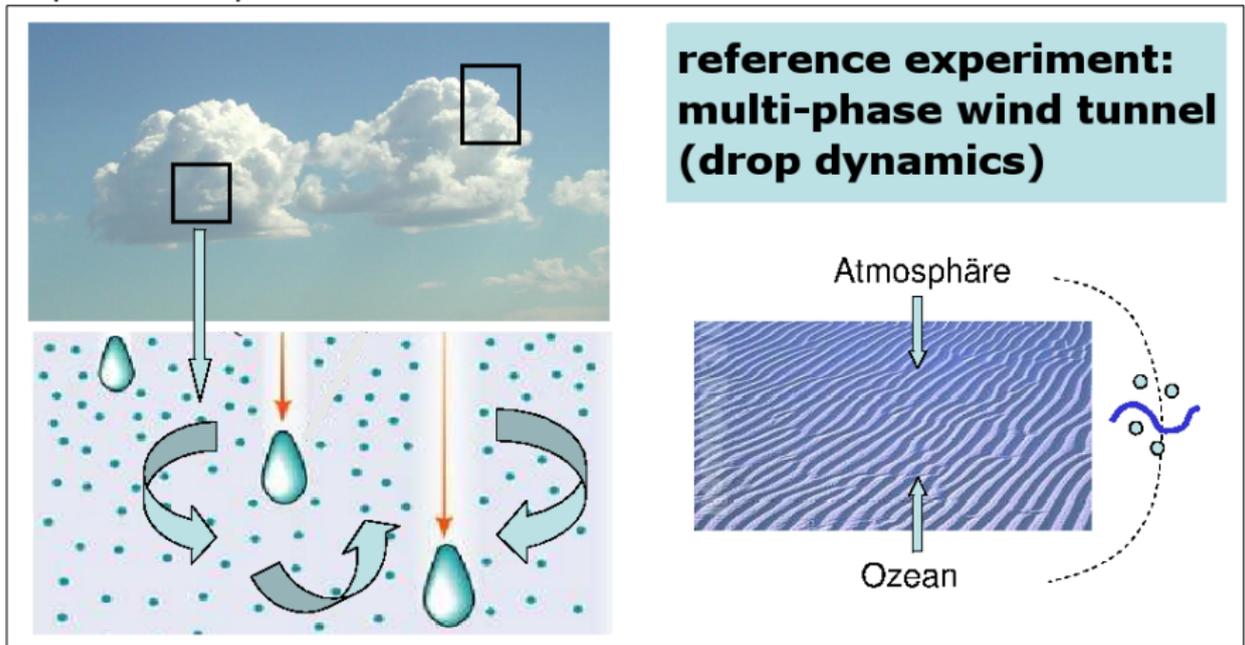


**reference experiment:  
urban boundary layer  
(a) forest area  
(b) wind tunnel**





## Topic: multi-phase flows





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- ▶ Dedner, A., Baldauf, M. and Kröner, D.: Parallel adaptive solutions for multiscale-phenomena and transparent boundary conditions in atmospheric flows
- ▶ Egbers, C.: Reference experiment to study the dynamics and coexistence of large- and small scale flow patterns: baroclinic waves and gravity waves
- ▶ Gaßmann, A., Klein, R., Helzel, C., Knoth, O. and Wensch, J.: Modelling and approximation of moist atmospheric flows considering topographic effects
- ▶ Giorgetta, M.A., Korn, P. and Reich, S.: Space-Time Adjustable Regularizations for the Atmospheric Circulation model ICON (STAR)
- ▶ Grewe, V., Sausen, R., Reich, S. and Yserentant, H.: Development of a Lagrangian core for climate models
- ▶ Heuveline, V. and Jones, S.C.: Goal oriented adaptivity for tropical cyclones

- ▶ Bernhofer, C., Goldberg, V., Grundmann, R. Hildebrand, V. and Stiller, J.: Turbulent exchange processes between forested areas and the atmosphere
- ▶ Dörnbrack, A., Fröhlich, J. and Lang, J.: Large Eddy Simulation with adaptive moving grids addressed to meteorological issues
- ▶ Horenko, I., Schütte, C., Klein, R. and Munz, C-D.: Discrete-continuous hybrid models on the basis of the integrated conservation principles
- ▶ Raasch, S.: The turbulence structure in the urban surface layer: LES-reference studies and comparison with measurements in wind tunnels, scalemodels, and with field surveys
- ▶ Schatzmann, M. and Leitl, B.: Generation of high-resolution validation data for obstacle resolving LES flow and dispersion models

## Multi-phase flows / clouds and convection

- ▶ Beheng, K.D., Etling, D., Raasch, S. and Schröder, W.: Experiments on the influence of turbulence in clouds with effects on condensation and precipitation
- ▶ Behrens, J., Hiller, W. and Wirth, V.: Interaction of small and large dynamical scales in an adaptive numerical model for atmospheric moist convection
- ▶ Braack, M., Maas, U. and Schlünzen, K.H.: Goal functional oriented reduction of atmospheric chemical transport models
- ▶ John, V. and Thévenin, J.M.: Reference experiments in the multi-scale wind tunnel, numerical simulation and validation
- ▶ Kupka, F. and Losch, M.: Modelling diffusive and double-diffusive convection
- ▶ Schmidt, H., Peters, N. and Stevens, B.: Towards modular front tracking for Stratocumulus clouds considering unsteady entrainment processes
- ▶ Spichtinger, P. and Lohmann, U.: Impacts of dynamics on cirrus clouds (associated project, funded by the Swiss National Science Foundation)

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- ▶ to provide model- and grid-adaptive numerical simulation concepts
- ▶ 1st period comprises 17 projects + 1 associated project, open to additional projects
- ▶ deadline for 2nd period proposals: December 30, 2008
- ▶ preparation meeting: November 3-4, 2008, Hannover, Germany
- ▶ 2nd period: 2009-2011, *3rd period: 2011-2013 (?)*

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