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# Temperature and wind statistics in the context of heat waves

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# Concepts and definitions introduced by previous lecturers:

**S. Malinowski:** ABL, orders of magnitudes, climate models,  
-transport equations for velocity, temperature...  
-atmosphere is hydrostatic  
-huge range of scales  
-separation horizontal-vertical directions  
-CO<sub>2</sub> in the models  
-Rayleigh number: Corrsin and Ozmidov scales  
-C\_epsilon

**D. Feranda:** Thermal Turbulence, CAT,  
EDR – extreme events, models for climate, role of the CO<sub>2</sub>  
intensity of extreme events depending on the large scale of the atmosphere  
(analogues)

**C. Brun:** -Transport equations for velocity-potential temperature  
-Radiation budget (1-st principle TD); stability ABL  
-1-point energy budget equations  
-Spectra

# 1. The question

Effect of the dynamics of

→ temperature gradients induced by large-scales: e.g.

jet stream, monsoon (temperature gradients at high altitude/sea level),

**internal variability (daily/annual variations) on**

→ temperature fluctuations variability

Context of blocking

Problem: unravel the mechanisms of genesis, persistence, and dissipation of energy → focus on extreme events

# 2. Methodology

First principles + **Triple decomposition framework**

First principles? Navier Stokes, advection-diffusion of temperature...

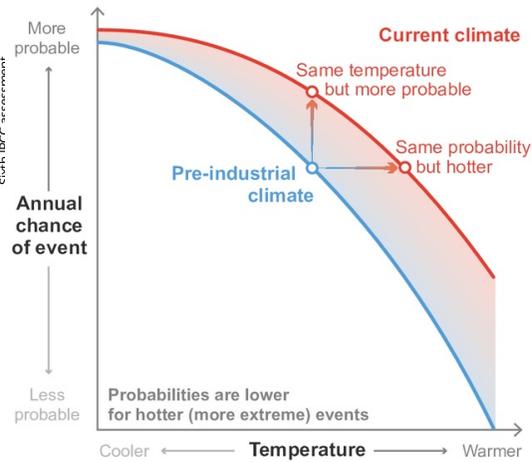
Which form? -**constant physical properties of the fluid** (constant density, viscosity, D)

-variable density, viscosity

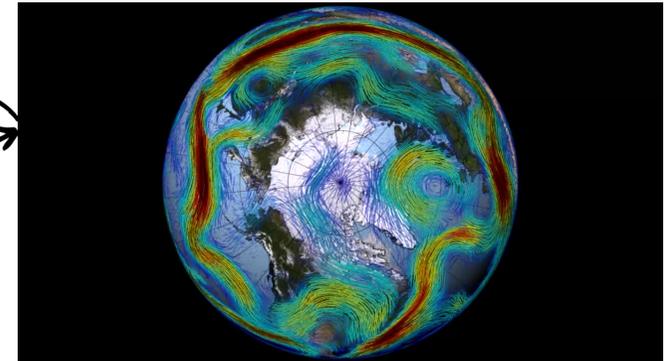
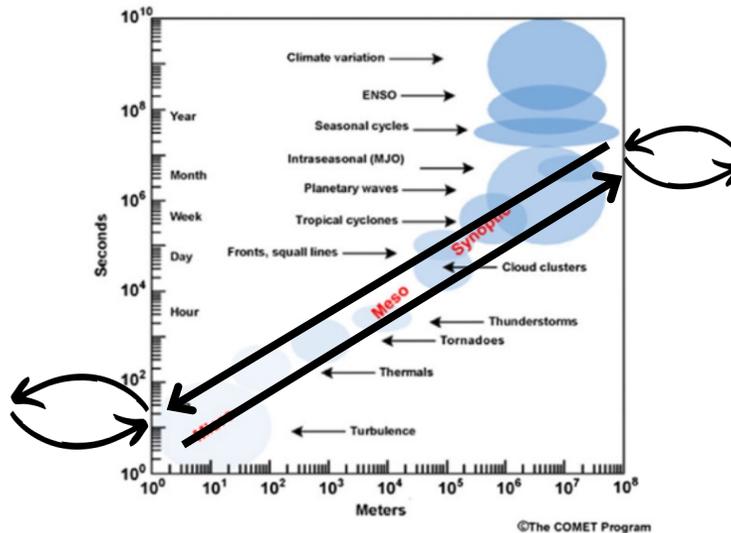
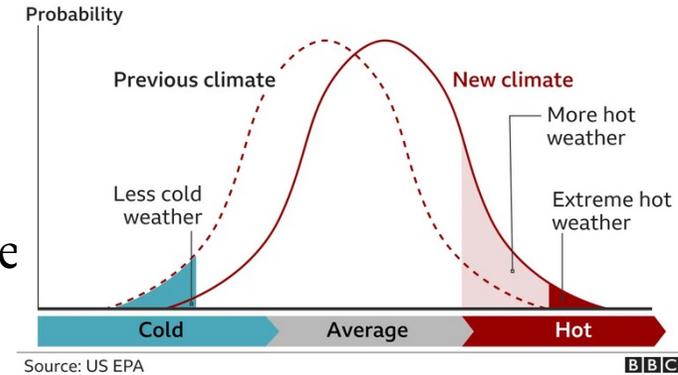
-T/NT interfaces -with phase changes...

# 3. Results: 2003 summer, June 2019

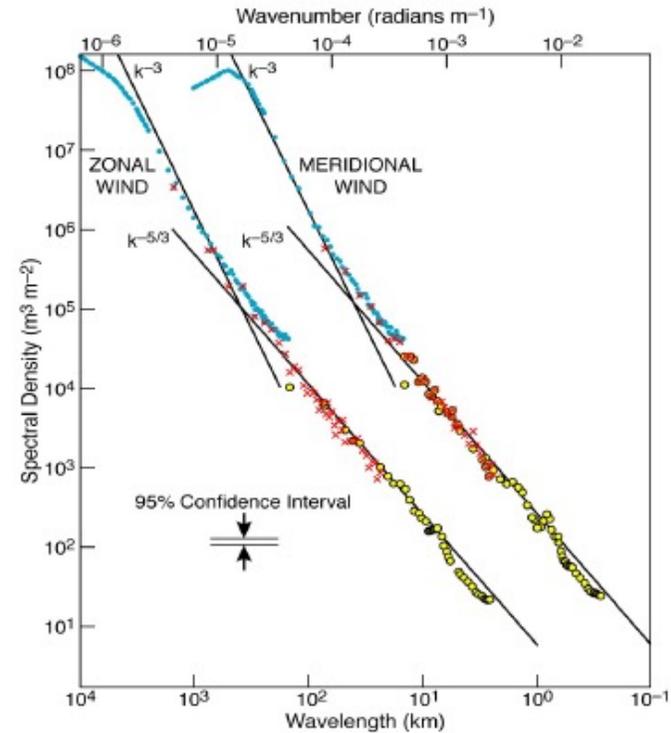
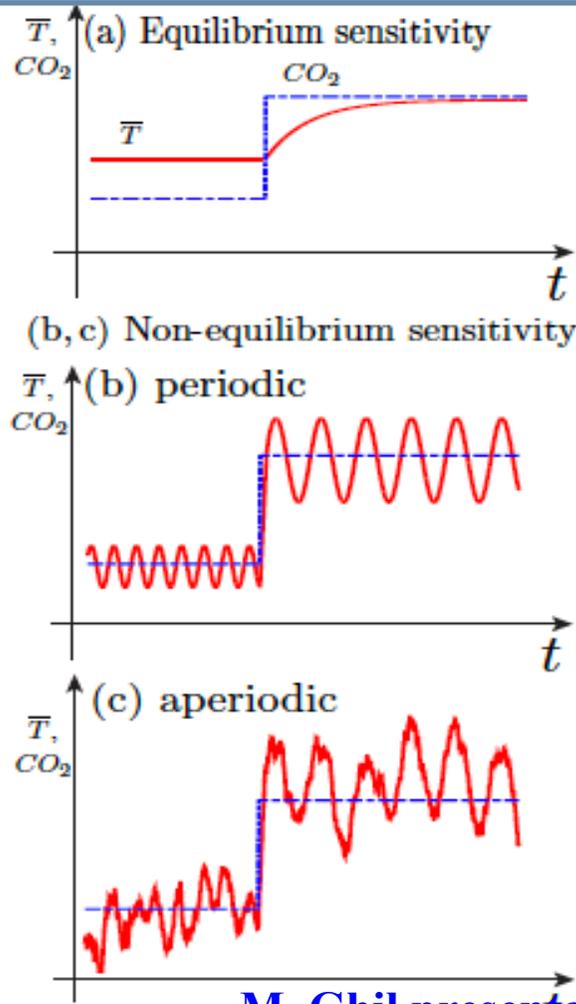
# Extreme events and climate change, a multiscale process



- Climate change brings more frequent and more intense extreme events.
- Small scales are influenced by large scales but the opposite is also true.

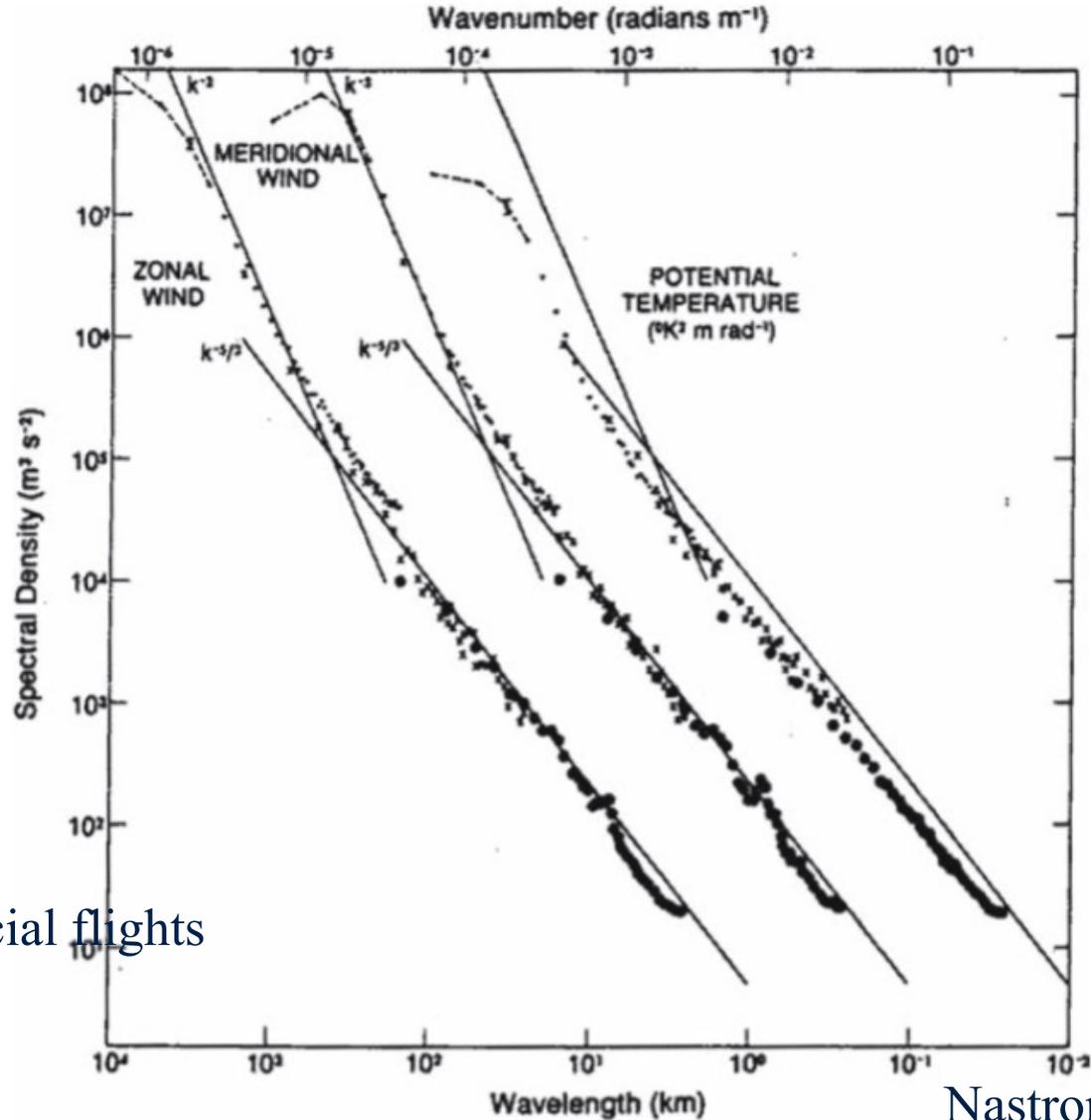


# Climate scenarios:



Nastrom and Gage, 1985

# 1. Context. Scales: The MacroTurbulence

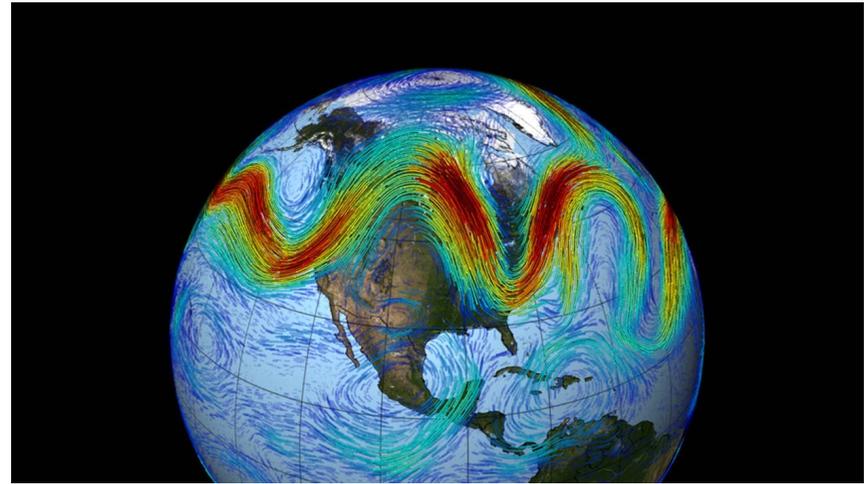
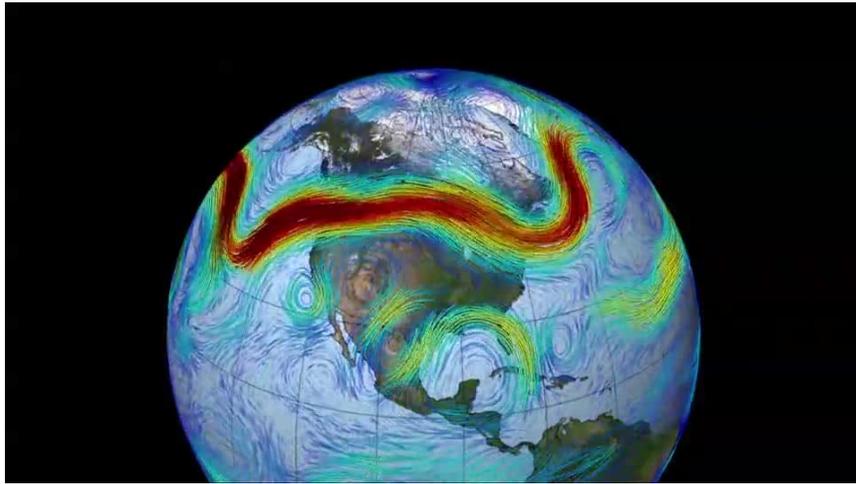


Nastrom and Gage, 1985 <sup>7</sup>

- Obs from commercial flights
- 9-12km altitude

All scales are present: different scalings, reflecting different physical mechanisms

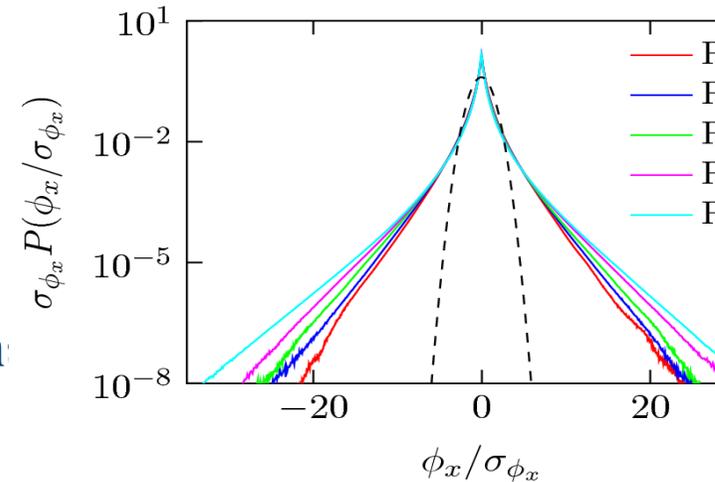
# 1. Context. Blocking



Blocking  $\rightarrow$  Jet stream (periodic motion)  $\rightarrow$

**Local variability of the temperature gradient**

**Energy source/Production /  
dissipation/diffusion/transport terms**  
**= transport equations for temperature fluctuation**



# Tools and strategies

We aim to link statistics between large and small scales using first principles (equations)



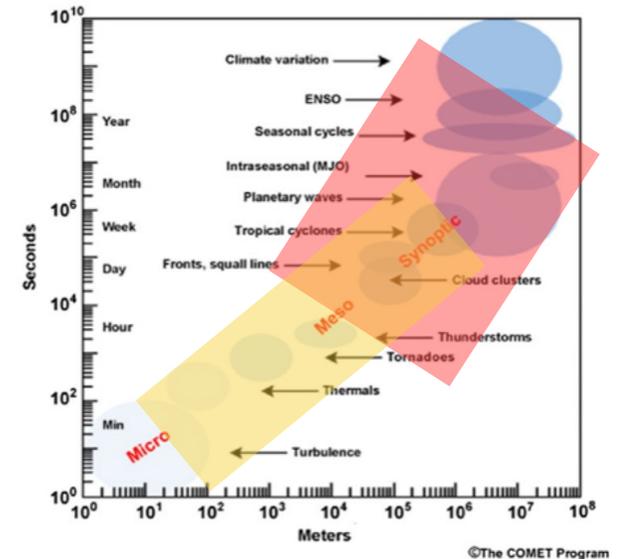
Use data for validation  
on all scales

Large scales: ERA 5  
reanalysis

Small scales: WRF  
simulation

Collaborators cover  
with ERA5  
(Fossa M. et al.)

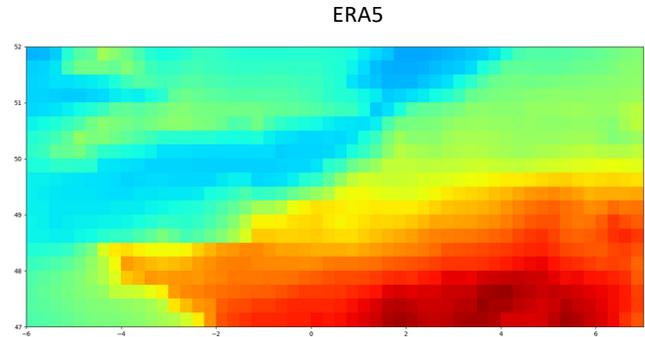
What we cover  
with WRF



# Why are we using WRF ?

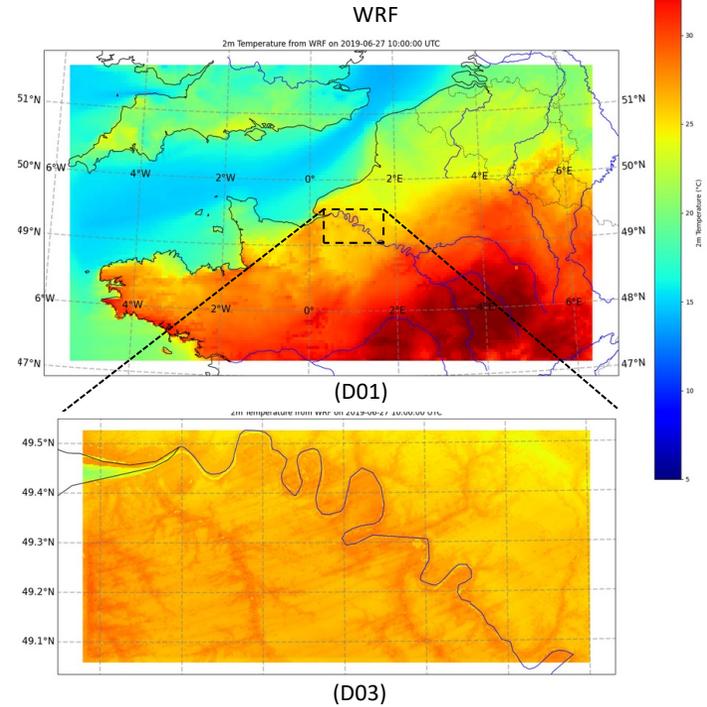
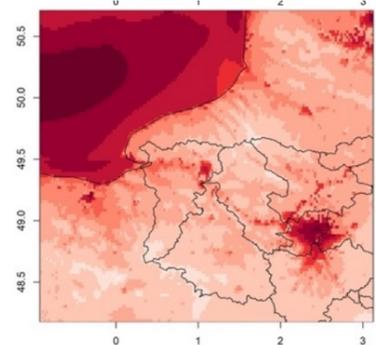
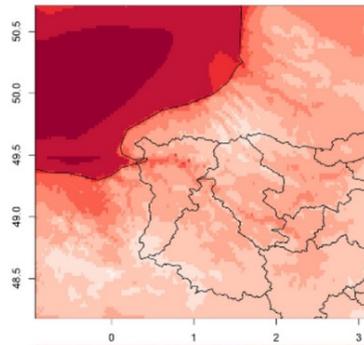
## Example with temperature extreme events

- To have a better resolution

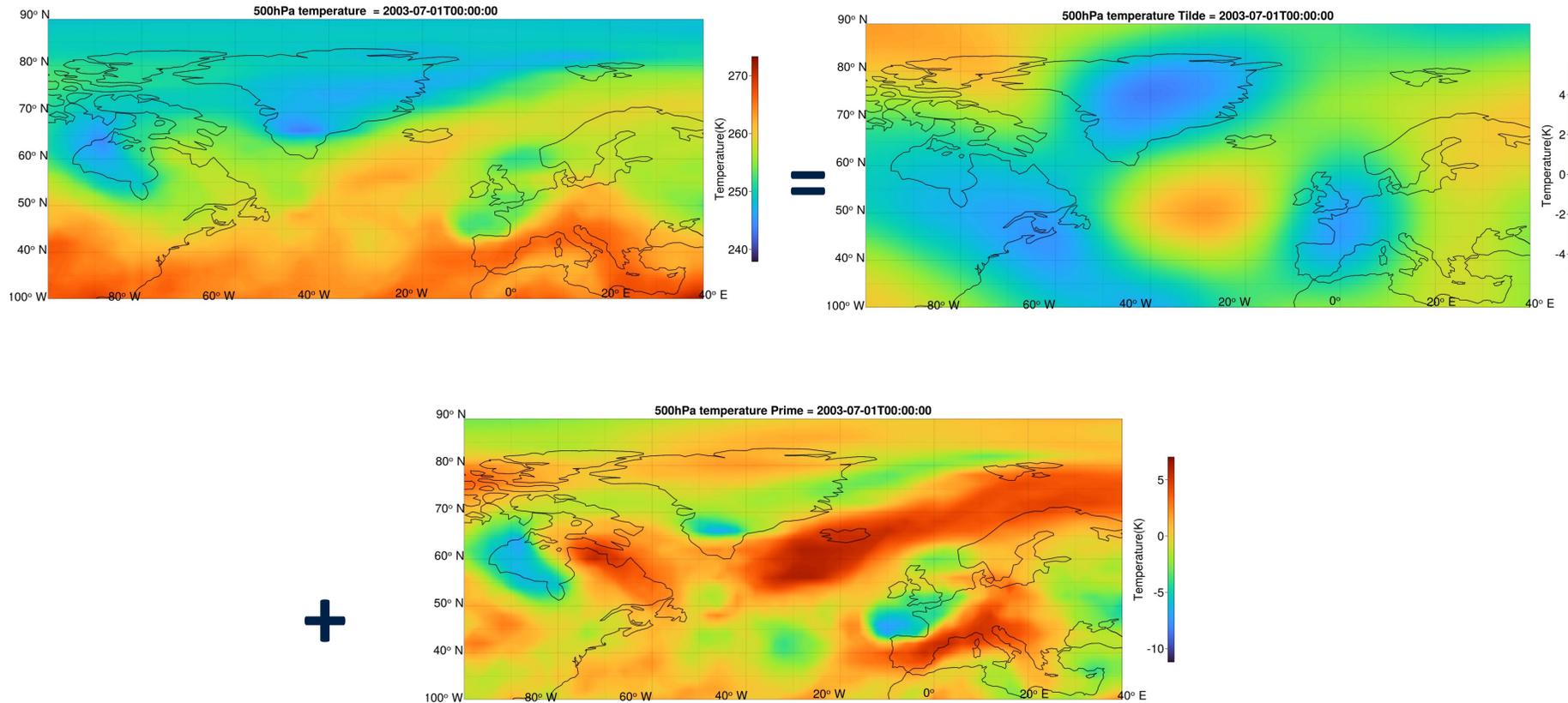


- To simulate new scenarios

2m temperature resolution comparison  
ft. Heatwave on June 27 2019 10:00



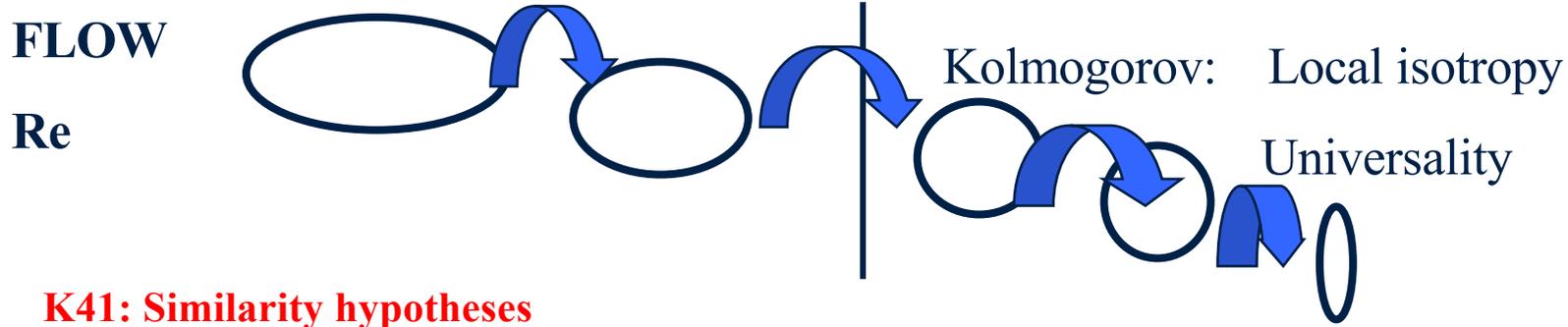
# 1. Context. Blocking during the 2003 summer heat wave



**Mean + CM/Waves + Eddies = Turbulence at all spatiotemporal scales**

## 2. Methodology to obtain Scale-by-Scale transport equations

### Historical context and motivation



### K41: Similarity hypotheses

#### HIGH Reynolds numbers

1st:  $\overline{(\Delta u^*)^n} = f_{un}(r^*)$        $r^* = r/\eta$        $\eta \equiv \left(\frac{\nu^3}{\epsilon}\right)^{\frac{1}{4}}$

2<sup>nd</sup> : for  $\eta \ll r \ll L$  ( $L$  is the integral length scale),

$$\overline{(\Delta u^*)^n} = C_{un} r^{*n/3}$$

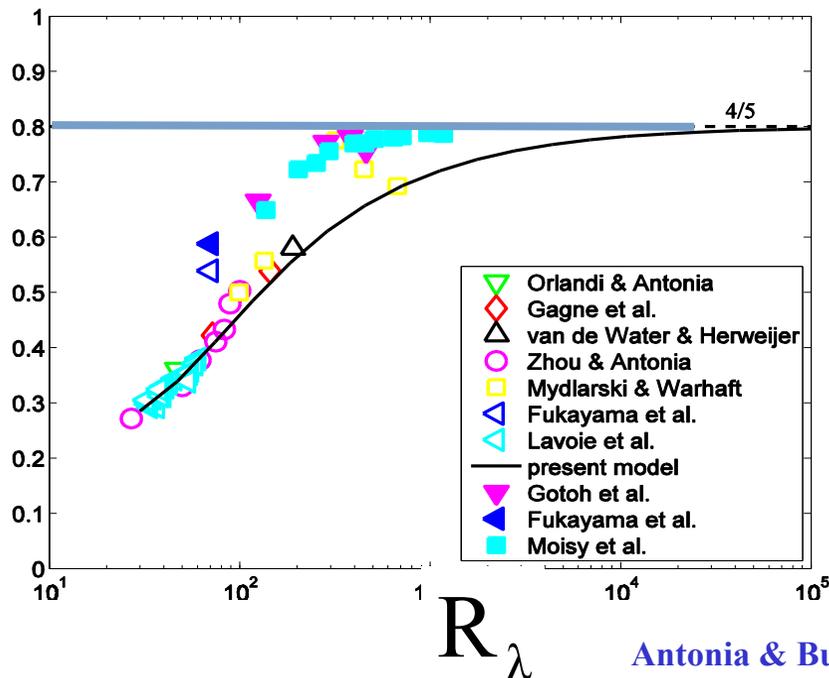
$C_{un}$  = “universal” constants.

## 2. Methodology to obtain Scale-by-Scale transport equations

### Historical context and motivation

#### Kolmogorov (1941) equation

$$-\frac{\overline{(\Delta u)^3}}{\bar{\epsilon} r} + 6\nu \frac{d}{dr} \frac{\overline{(\Delta u)^2}}{\bar{\epsilon} r} = \frac{4}{5}$$



Antonia & Burattini, 2006

#### HIGH Reynolds numbers

$$-\frac{\overline{(\Delta u)^3}}{\bar{\epsilon} r} = \frac{4}{5}$$

**Error:** Mix-up of infinite Reynolds number phenomenology, with mathematics.

**Non-universality for moderate Reynolds numbers**

# 1. Methodology to obtain Scale-by-Scale transport equations

## II. Finite Reynolds number effect

$$\frac{4}{5} = \boxed{6\nu \frac{d \overline{(\Delta u)^2}}{dr}} - \boxed{\frac{\overline{(\Delta u)^3}}{\bar{\epsilon} r}} + \boxed{I_f}$$

Kolmogorov, 1941 → Saffman 1968, Danaila et al. 1999, Lindborg 1999

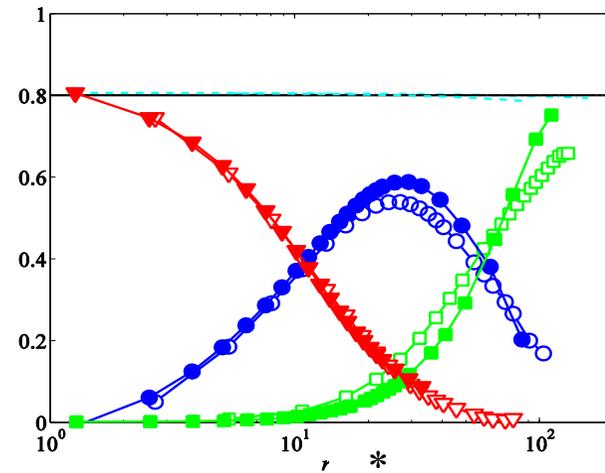
### Finite Reynolds numbers- flows:

Grid turbulence, round jet,  
channel flow (axis, near wall) ...

### Conclusion:

**Energy transferred at a scale  $r$**  = turbulent diffusion + molecular effects +  
**large-scale effects:** shear, decay, mean temperature gradient ...

Danaila et al., 1999



## 2. Methodology to obtain Scale-by-Scale transport equations

### Finite Reynolds number effect

Similar questions hold for scalars and turbulent kinetic energy

$$\frac{4}{5} = 6\nu \frac{d \overline{(\Delta u)^2}}{\bar{\epsilon} r} - \frac{\overline{(\Delta u)^3}}{\bar{\epsilon} r} + I_f$$

Kolmogorov, 1941

$$\frac{4}{3} = 2k \frac{d \overline{(\Delta \theta)^2}}{\bar{\chi} r} - \frac{\overline{\Delta u (\Delta \theta)^2}}{\bar{\chi} r} + I_f$$

Yaglom, 1949

Danaila et al. 1999

$$\frac{4}{3} = 2\nu \frac{d \overline{(\Delta q)^2}}{\bar{\epsilon} r} - \frac{\overline{\Delta u (\Delta q)^2}}{\bar{\epsilon} r} + I_f$$

R.A. Antonia et al. 1997

Danaila et al., 2004

Burattini et al., 2005

Real- Finite Reynolds numbers- flows: Slightly heated grid turbulence, grid turbulence with a Mean scalar gradient ..

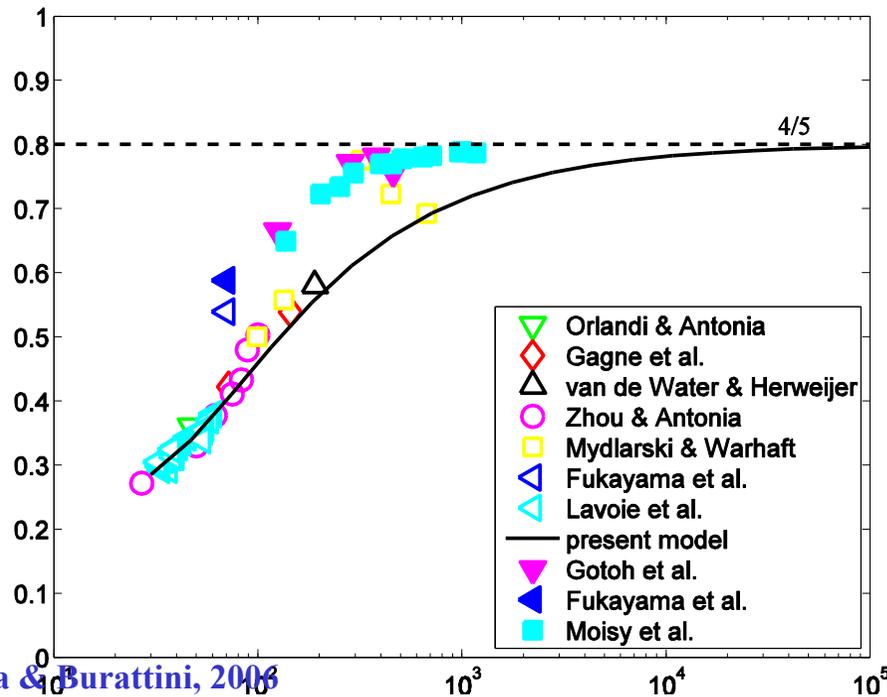
**Same conclusion : Energy transferred at a scale  $r \rightarrow \dots$  large-scale effects**

## 2. Methodology to obtain Scale-by-Scale transport equations

### Finite Reynolds number effect

$$\frac{4}{5} = 6\nu \frac{d \overline{(\Delta u)^2}}{\bar{\epsilon} r} - \frac{\overline{(\Delta u)^3}}{\bar{\epsilon} r} + I_f$$

Kolmogorov, 1941 → Saffman 1968, Danaila et al. 1999, Lindborg 1999



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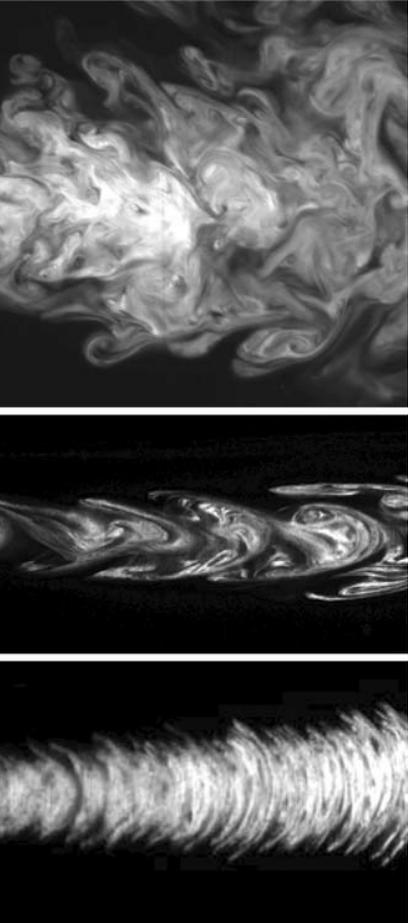
### First conclusion:

Part of the K41 theory was rederived so it can be correctly applied to real, finite Reynolds numbers flows.

**UNCLOSED Equation!!!**

Other, complex flows →

## 2. Methodology to obtain Scale-by-Scale transport equations: VVF



Classical Terms

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{D}{Dt} \overline{(\Delta u_i)^2} + \frac{\partial}{\partial X_j} \overline{\frac{u_j^+ + u_j^-}{2} (\Delta u_i)^2} + \frac{\partial}{\partial r_j} \overline{\Delta u_j (\Delta u_i)^2} + 2 \overline{\Delta u_i \Delta u_j} \frac{\partial \bar{U}_i}{\partial x_j} \\ & = \\ & -2 \partial_{X_j} \overline{\Delta P \Delta u_i} + 2 \overline{\Delta u_i \Delta v} \frac{\partial^2 \bar{U}_i}{\partial x_j^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial r_j^2} \overline{(v^+ + v^-) (\Delta u_i)^2} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\overline{v^+ + v^-}}{2} \frac{\partial^2 (\Delta u_i)^2}{\partial X_j^2} - \frac{\partial^2 (v^+ + v^-)}{\partial r_j^2} (\Delta u_i)^2 \\ & \quad - \frac{\partial (v^+ + v^-)}{\partial r_j} \frac{\partial (\Delta u_i)^2}{\partial r_j} + \overline{\Delta v} \frac{\partial}{\partial r_j} \frac{\partial}{\partial X_j} (\Delta u_i)^2 - 2 \overline{\epsilon_{VV}^+} - 2 \overline{\epsilon_{VV}^-} \end{aligned}$$

New terms

$$\begin{aligned} & + \frac{\partial}{\partial X_j} \overline{\frac{(v^+ + v^-)}{2} \left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial X_j} \frac{(\Delta u_i)^2}{2} + \frac{\partial}{\partial X_i} (\Delta u_i \Delta u_j) \right]} + \frac{\partial}{\partial X_j} (\Delta v) \left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial r_j} \frac{(\Delta u_i)^2}{2} + \frac{\partial}{\partial r_i} (\Delta u_i \Delta u_j) \right] \\ & + \frac{\partial}{\partial r_j} (\Delta v) \left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial X_j} \frac{(\Delta u_i)^2}{2} + \frac{\partial}{\partial X_i} (\Delta u_i \Delta u_j) \right] + 2 \frac{\partial}{\partial r_j} (v^+ + v^-) \left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial r_j} \frac{(\Delta u_i)^2}{2} + \frac{\partial}{\partial r_i} (\Delta u_i \Delta u_j) \right] \\ & \quad + 2 \frac{\overline{\partial \Delta v}}{\partial X_j} \Delta u_i \left[ \frac{\partial \bar{U}_i}{\partial X_j} + \frac{\partial \bar{U}_j}{\partial X_i} \right] \end{aligned}$$

- Specific variable viscosity flows terms reflecting viscosity gradients, as well as turbulence production and spatial decay.
- The closure of the triple term and the viscosity-velocity terms modeling would allow us (after an analytical resolution and/or a numerical integration) estimating the characteristic time of the **mixing** and thus, to **predict** its quality at each downstream position.

Voivenel et al., *Physica Scripta* 2015  
 Krawczynski et al., *J. of Turbulence*, 2015  
 Danaila et al., *Physica D* 2011  
 Thiesset et al., *Phys. Rev. E*, 2013

## 2. Methodology to obtain Scale-by-Scale transport equations

Local homogeneity.

Flow stationarity.

Lateral diffusion and shear effects along the radial direction  $y$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{D}{Dt} \overline{(\Delta u_i)^2} + \frac{\partial}{\partial X_j} \overline{\frac{u_j^+ + u_j^-}{2} (\Delta u_i)^2} + \frac{\partial}{\partial r_j} \overline{\Delta u_j (\Delta u_i)^2} + 2 \overline{\Delta u_i \Delta u_j} \frac{\partial \bar{U}_i}{\partial x_j} \\ = \\ + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial r_j^2} \overline{(v^+ + v^-) (\Delta u_i)^2} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \overline{\frac{(v^+ + v^-)}{2} \left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \frac{(\Delta u_i)^2}{2} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} (\Delta u_i \Delta u_j) \right]} - 2 \overline{\epsilon_{VV}^+} - 2 \overline{\epsilon_{VV}^-} \end{aligned}$$

Or, when  $U$  and  $\bar{v}$  depend on  $x$  only:

$$\begin{aligned} \underbrace{\bar{U} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \overline{(\Delta u_i)^2}}_{\text{Transport}} + \underbrace{\frac{\partial}{\partial y} \overline{\frac{v^+ + v^-}{2} (\Delta u_i)^2} + \frac{\partial}{\partial r_j} \overline{\Delta u_j (\Delta u_i)^2}}_{\text{Turbulent Diffusion}} + \underbrace{2 \frac{\partial \bar{U}}{\partial x} \left[ \overline{(\Delta u)^2} - \overline{(\Delta v)^2} \right] + 2 \overline{\Delta u \Delta v} \frac{\partial \bar{U}}{\partial y}}_{\text{Production}} \\ = \\ \underbrace{\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \overline{(v^+ + v^-) \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (\Delta u_i)^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial r_j^2} \overline{(v^+ + v^-) (\Delta u_i)^2}}_{\text{Destruction by viscosity gradients}} - \underbrace{2 \overline{\epsilon_{VV}^+} - 2 \overline{\epsilon_{VV}^-}}_{\text{Dissipation}} \end{aligned}$$

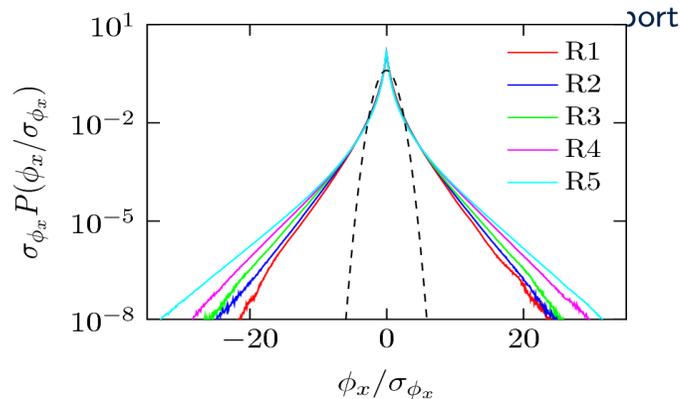
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High-order moments →

## 2. Methodology. Theoretical framework

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \langle (\Delta\phi)^{2n} \rangle(\mathbf{r}) + \underbrace{\frac{\partial}{\partial r_i} \langle (\Delta u_i) (\Delta\phi)^{2n} \rangle(\mathbf{r})}_{\text{transport term}} + \underbrace{2n\Gamma \langle (\Delta u_2) (\Delta\phi)^{2n-1} \rangle(\mathbf{r})}_{\text{production term}} = J_{2n}(\mathbf{r})$$

$$J_{2n}(r) = nD \langle (\Delta\phi)^{n-1} \left[ \frac{\partial^2(\Delta\phi)}{\partial x_i'^2} + \frac{\partial^2(\Delta\phi)}{\partial x_i^2} \right] \rangle$$

$$J_{2n}(r) = \underbrace{2D \frac{\partial^2}{\partial r_i^2} \langle (\Delta\phi)^{2n} \rangle}_{\text{transport}} - \underbrace{n(2n-1) \langle (\Delta\phi)^{2n-2} [\chi(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{r}) + \chi(\mathbf{x})] \rangle}_{\text{dissipative source term}},$$



2nd order

$$2\langle \chi \rangle \\ \neq f(r)$$

4th order

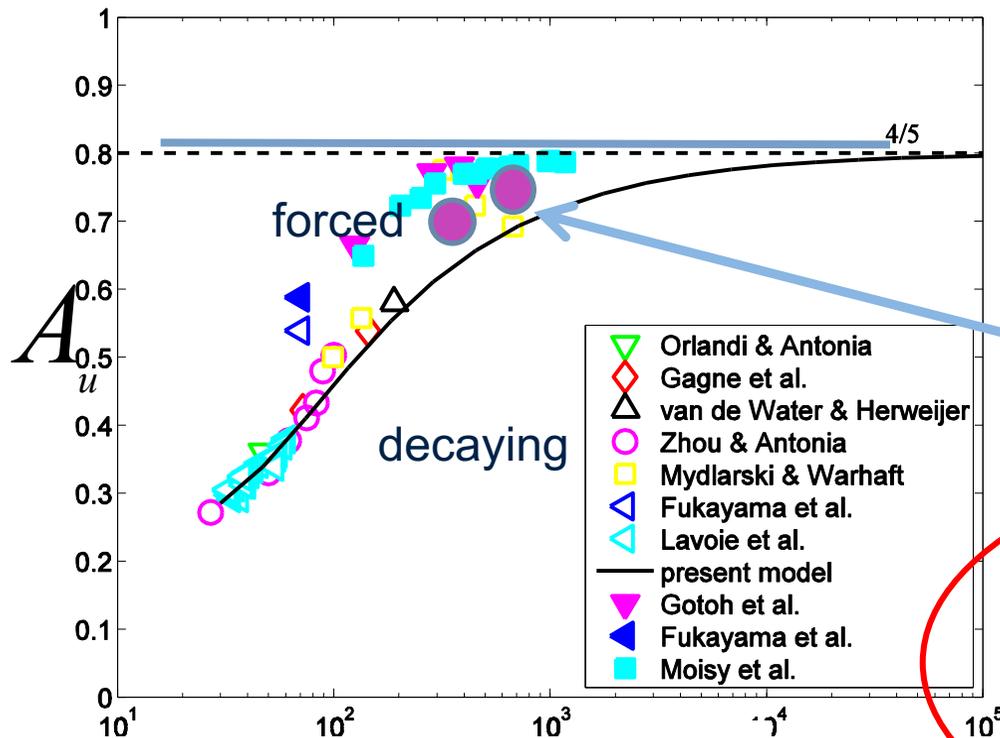
$$12\langle (\Delta\phi)^2 \chi \rangle \\ = f(r)$$

**Role of Large-scale, quasi-periodic component?**

## 2. Methodology to obtain Scale-by-Scale transport equations: flows with Coherent Motions

$$\frac{4}{5} = 6\nu \frac{d \overline{(\Delta u)^2}}{\bar{\epsilon} r} - \frac{\overline{(\Delta u)^3}}{\bar{\epsilon} r} + I_f$$

→ Non-universality for moderate Reynolds numbers



→ Forced, anisotropic  
→ Decaying flows: grid turbulence, jets ..

→ Decaying, but populated by CM

Which is the role played by the mean shear and waves/CM in energy itself and energy transfer?

## 2. Methodology to obtain Scale-by-Scale transport equations: flows with Coherent Motions/waves

### I. Background and major question

-interaction between coherent motion (CM)  
turbulent/random motion (RM)  
during energy transfer

#### Historically:

-identifications of CM [Hussain 1983, Reynolds & Hussain 1972, ...].

-dynamics of CM, their representativity for turbulence ..

-From an analytical viewpoint, Reynolds et Hussain [*J. Fluid Mech.* 1972] derived the 1-point kinetic energy budget, including the coherent motion.

## 2. Methodology. Transport equations

### The approach. Phase-averages

$$\text{Triple decomposition } ^3: \beta = \bar{\beta} + \tilde{\beta} + \beta'$$

$$\text{Phase-average: } \langle \beta \rangle = \bar{\beta} + \tilde{\beta}$$

$$\text{Phase-averaged Strain: } \langle S \rangle = \bar{S} + \tilde{S} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\partial \langle U \rangle}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial \langle V \rangle}{\partial x} \right)$$

<sup>3</sup> Reynolds and Hussain 1972

*Thiesset, Antonia and Danaila, J. Fluid Mech. 2013,2014, 2020*

*Bouha, PhD thesis, 2016*

*Portela et al, 2020 Gattere et al. 2023*

*Barbano et al., B. Layer Met., 2022*

*Finnigan and Einaudi...*

## 2. Methodology. Theoretical framework

$$\partial_i \theta + u_j \partial_j \theta = \alpha \partial_j^2 \theta.$$

$$\partial_i \theta^+ + u_j^+ \partial_j^+ \theta^+ = \alpha \partial_j^{2+} \theta^+.$$



- Reynolds Decomposition  $\theta = \bar{\theta} + \theta$ .
- Taking into account stationarity, inhomogeneity and local isotropy.
- After multiplication by  $\delta\theta$ , followed by a time average.

$$\overline{(\delta v)^2} = \overline{(\delta w)^2} = \overline{(\delta u)^2} + \frac{r}{2} \overline{\frac{\partial(\delta u)^2}{\partial r}}.$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \overbrace{2\bar{U}_j \partial_j (\overline{\delta u_i})^2}^{\text{Advection}} + \overbrace{2\overline{\delta u_j \delta u_i} \partial_j \bar{\theta}}^{\text{Production}} + \overbrace{\frac{1}{2}(\partial_j + \partial_j^+) \left[ (u_j + u_j^+) (\delta\theta)^2 \right]}^{\text{Turbulent Diffusion}} \\ & \underbrace{\frac{\partial}{\partial r_j} \overline{\delta u_j (\delta\theta)^2}}_{\text{Transfer}} = \underbrace{2\alpha \frac{\partial^2}{\partial r_j^2} \overline{(\delta\theta)^2}}_{\text{Diffusive Term}} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \alpha \frac{\partial^2}{\partial X_j^2} \overline{(\delta\theta)^2}}_{\text{Inhomogeneity Term}} - \underbrace{4\bar{\chi}}_{\text{Mean dissipation rate}}. \end{aligned}$$

Isotropy Test

- Isotropic Context .
- Self similarity over all scales.
- $R_\lambda \sim 10^6$ .

**Yaglom 1949**

$$-\overline{\delta u (\delta\theta)^2} + 2\alpha \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \overline{(\delta\theta)^2} = \frac{4}{3} \bar{\chi} r.$$

**Kolmogorov 1941**

$$-\overline{\delta u (\delta u_i)^2} + 6\nu \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \overline{(\delta u_i)^2} = \frac{4}{5} \bar{\epsilon} r.$$

*Thiesset, Danaila and Antonia, J. Fluid Mech. 2013, 2014*

*Thiesset and Danaila, J. Fluid Mech. 2020*

*Bouha, PhD thesis, 2016*

## 2. Methodology. Theoretical framework

### Analytical considerations

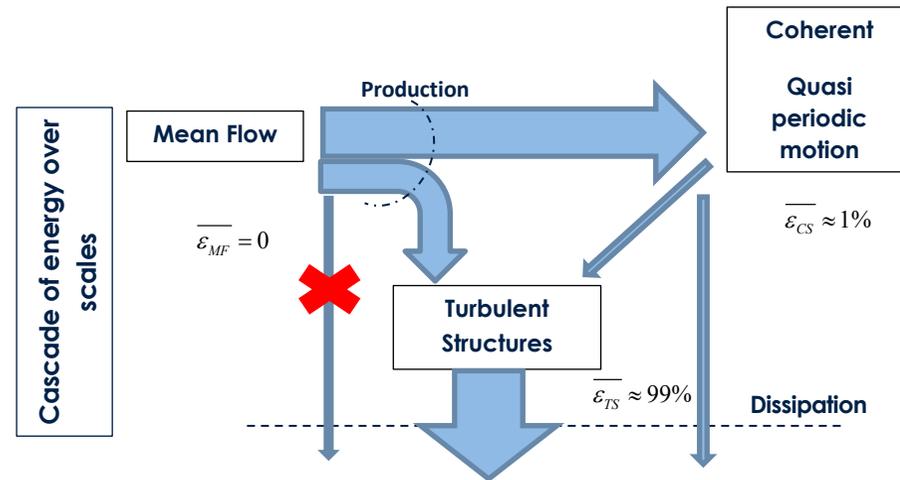
#### Triple decomposition

$$u_i = \overline{U}_i + \tilde{u}_i + u'_i.$$

A. K. M. F. Hussain,  
J. F. M. 26, 1983

$$\theta = \overline{\theta} + \tilde{\theta} + \theta'.$$

- [...'] Turbulent fluctuations
- [~] Coherent fluctuations
- Time average
- ⟨...⟩ Phase average



### Emergent terms of Scale-by-Scale-budget of turbulent fluctuations

#### Dynamical field

[F. Thiesset, L. Danaïla and R. A. Antonia, J. F. M. 749, 2014]

$$-\overline{\langle \delta u \delta q^2 \rangle}$$

Total  
Transfer

$$\overline{\delta \tilde{u} \delta \tilde{q}^2}$$

Coherent  
Transfer

$$\frac{2}{r^2} \int_0^r \left( \overline{\delta \tilde{u}_i \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \langle \delta u' \delta u'_i \rangle} \right) ds$$

Forcing

#### Scalar field

$$-\overline{\langle \delta u \delta \theta^2 \rangle}$$

$$\overline{\delta \tilde{u} \delta \tilde{\theta}^2}$$

$$\frac{2}{r^2} \int_0^r \left( \overline{\delta \tilde{\theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \langle \delta u' \delta \theta' \rangle} \right) ds$$

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Transverse Velocity

$v$

Band pass filter

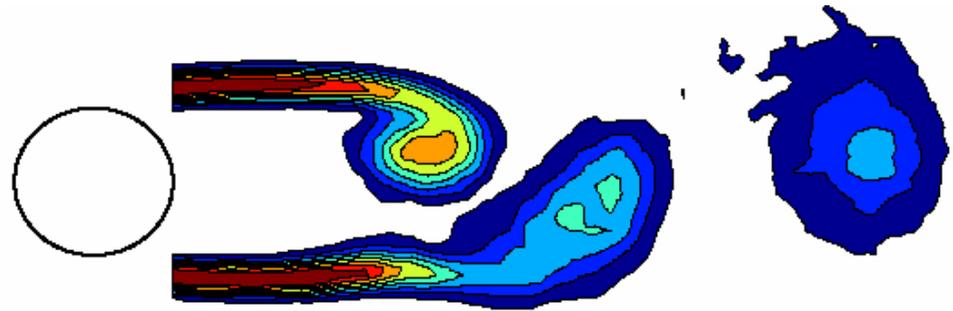
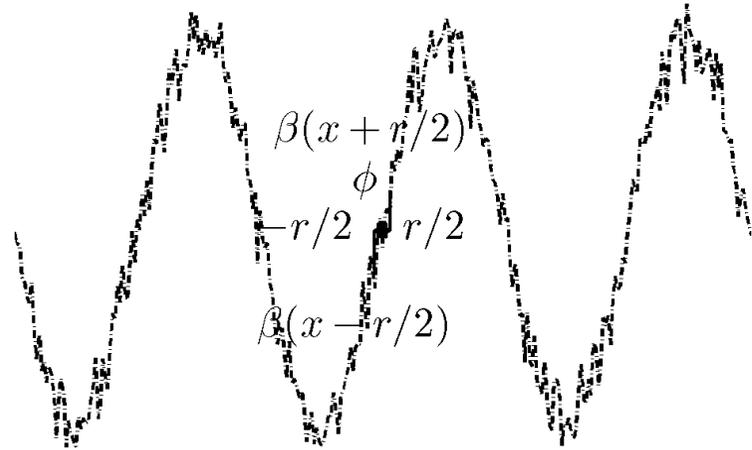
$v_f$

Hilbert Transform

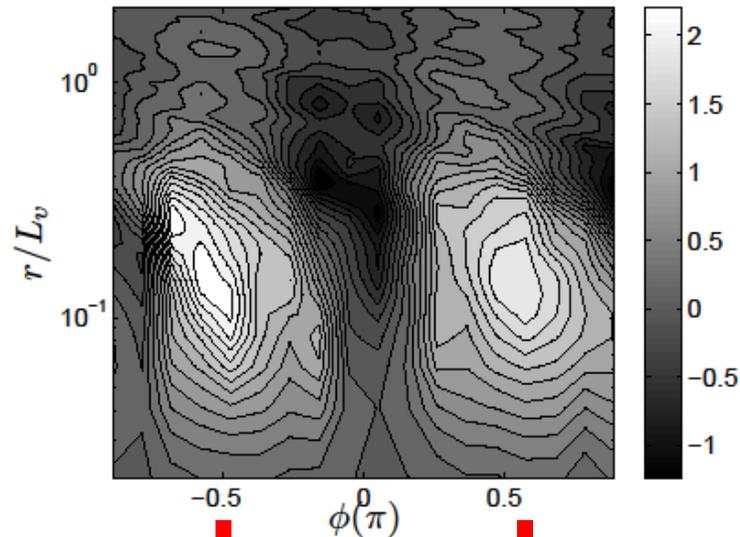
$h$

Phase

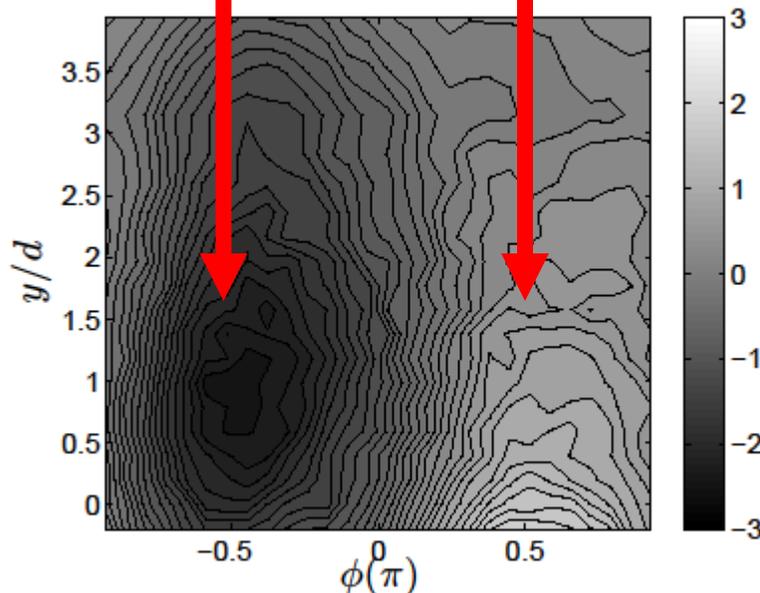
$$\varphi = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{h}{v_f} \right)$$



### 3. Results. Phase-scale distribution of the kinetic energy



$$-\frac{\langle \Delta u_{||} \Delta q^2 \rangle}{\overline{\varepsilon' r}}(r, \phi)$$



Total energy transfer is

-both positive and negative;

maximum:

-When: CM is present

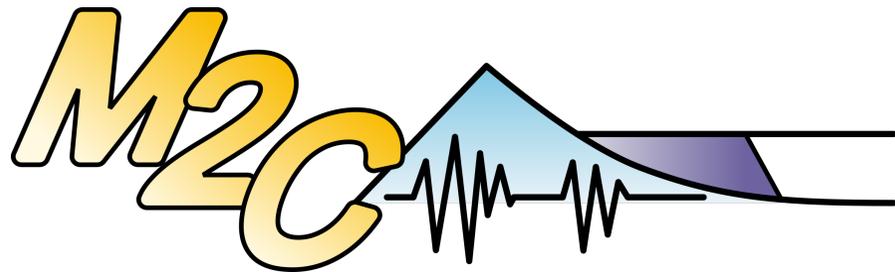
-At scales where turbulent kinetic energy is maximum

# Effect of energy injection on jet-waves-random interactions across scales, case study: 2003 western Europe summer heat wave

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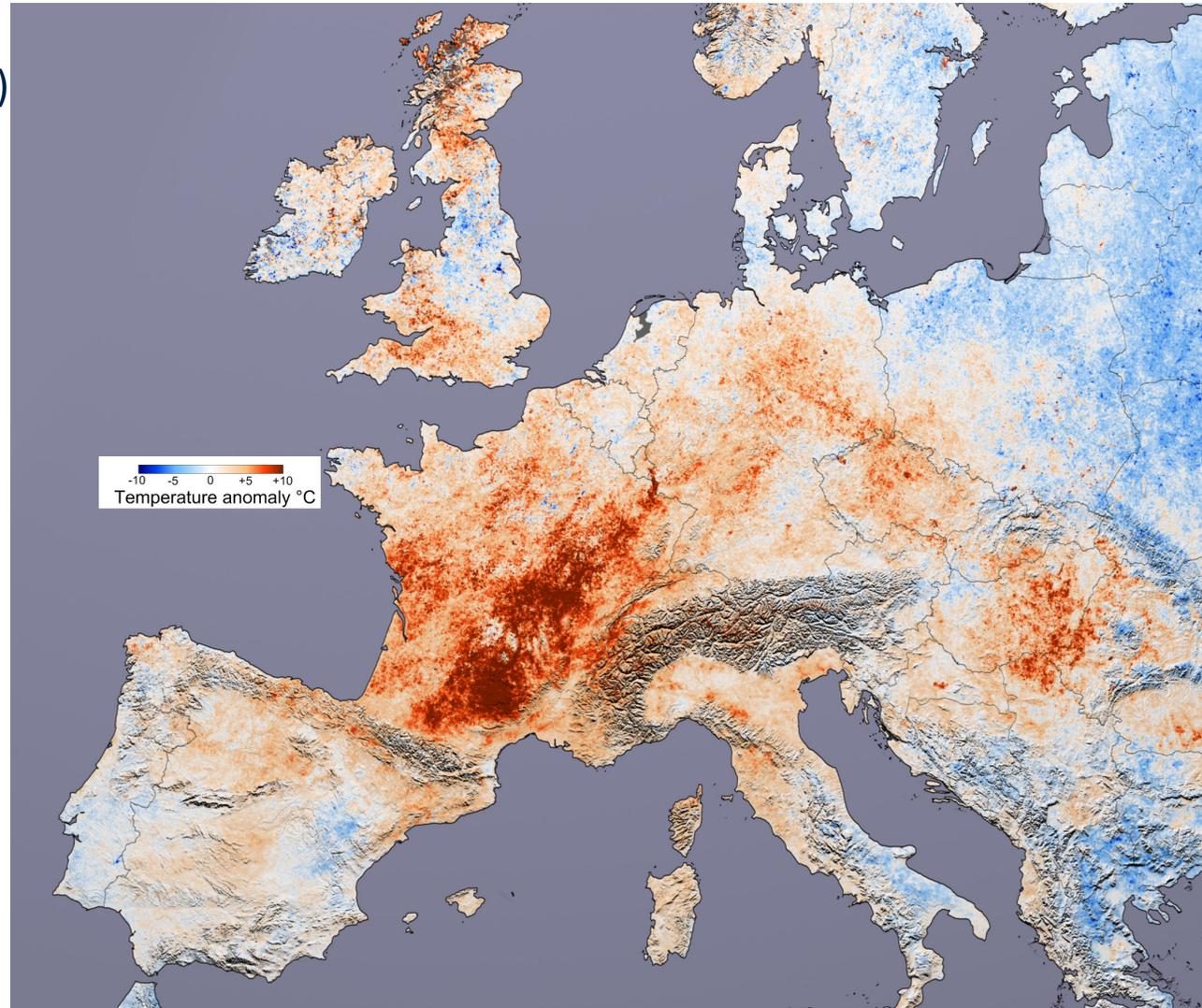
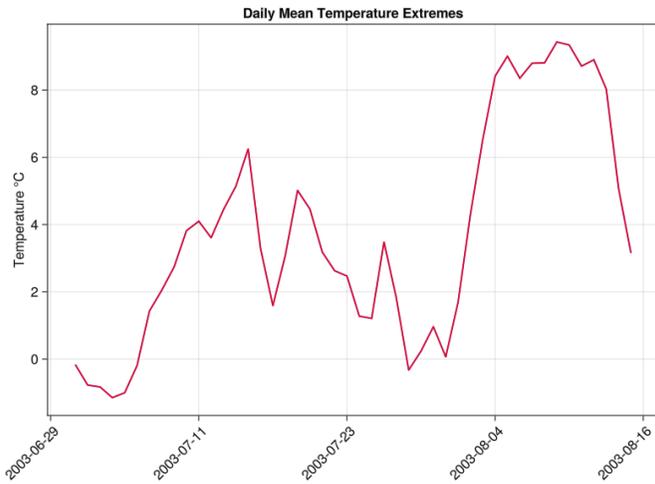
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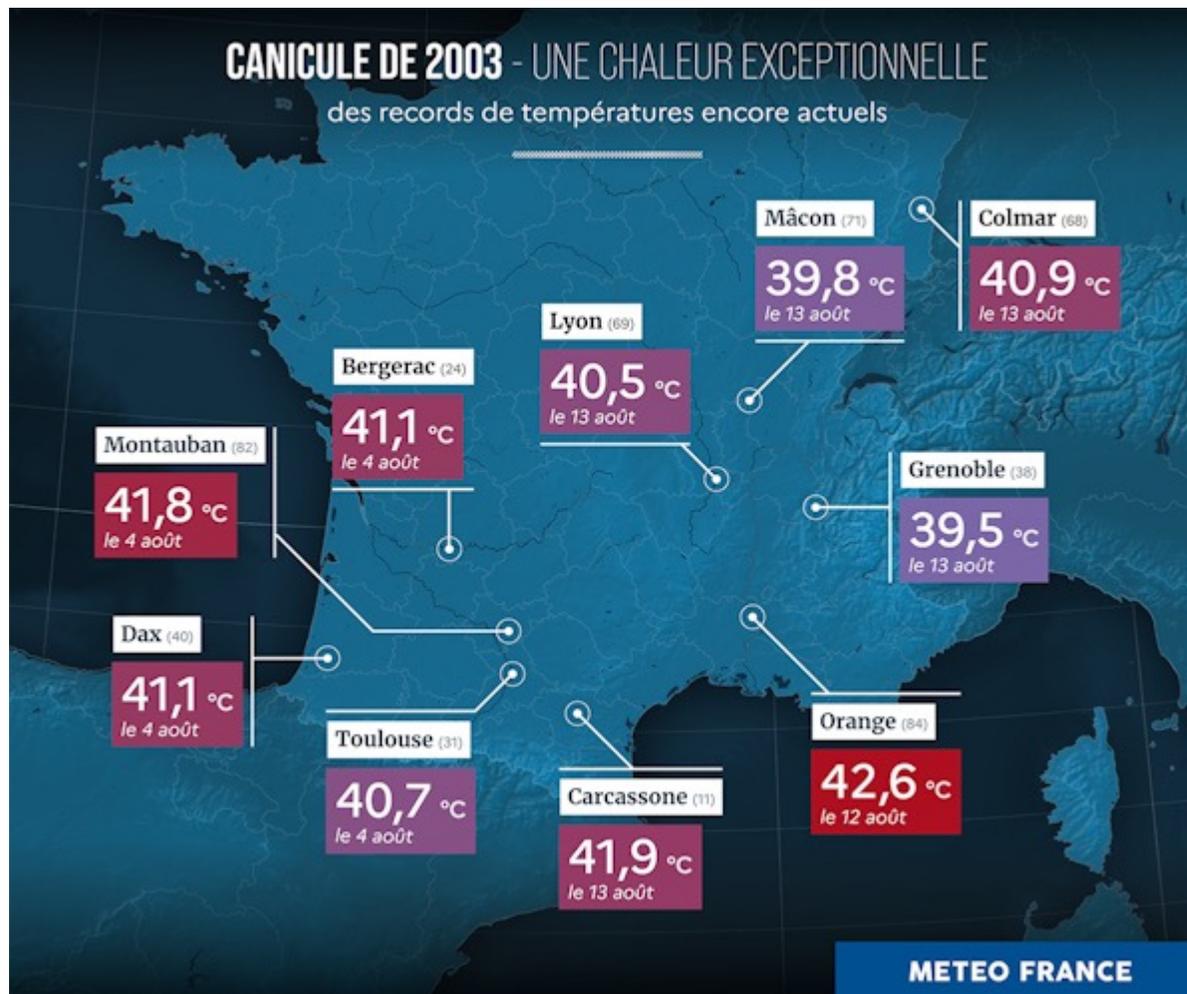


# Outline

- Highest death toll (40 000 in France)
- Up to 12°C higher than average

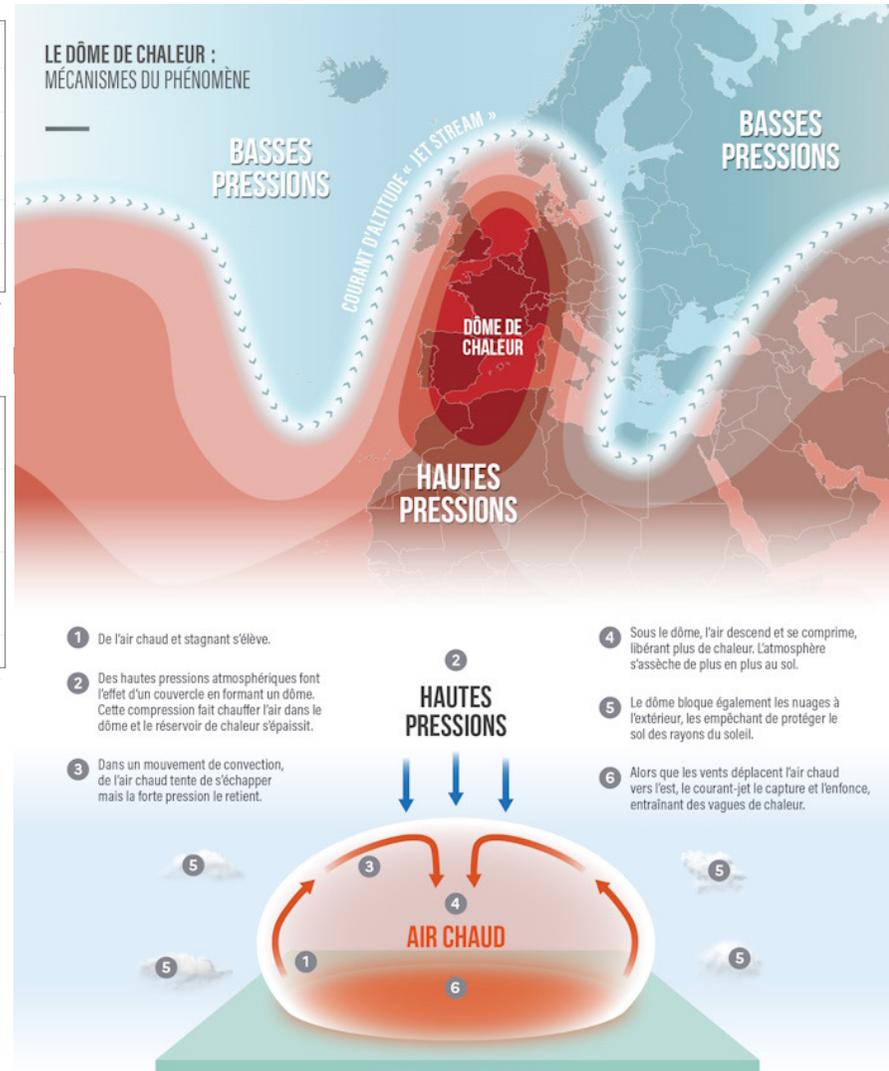
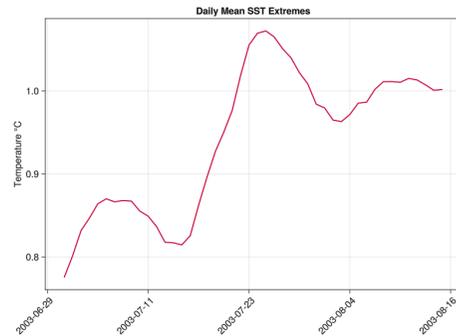
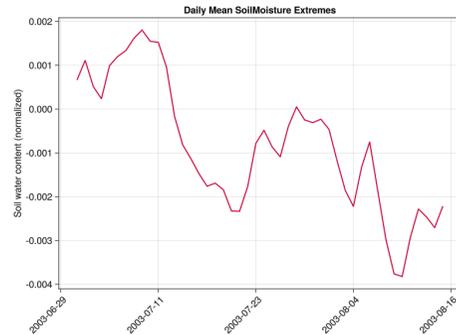


# Outline



# How it is explained so far:

- Pre-existing conditions:
  - Blocking
  - Soil moisture deficit
  - Sea surface temperatures



## Objectives:

1. Compare statistics of Nastrom & Gage, Lindborg and Cho with real space observations
2. Model statistics from the Transport equations from first principles.

# 2-points: How do we compute statistics from obs?

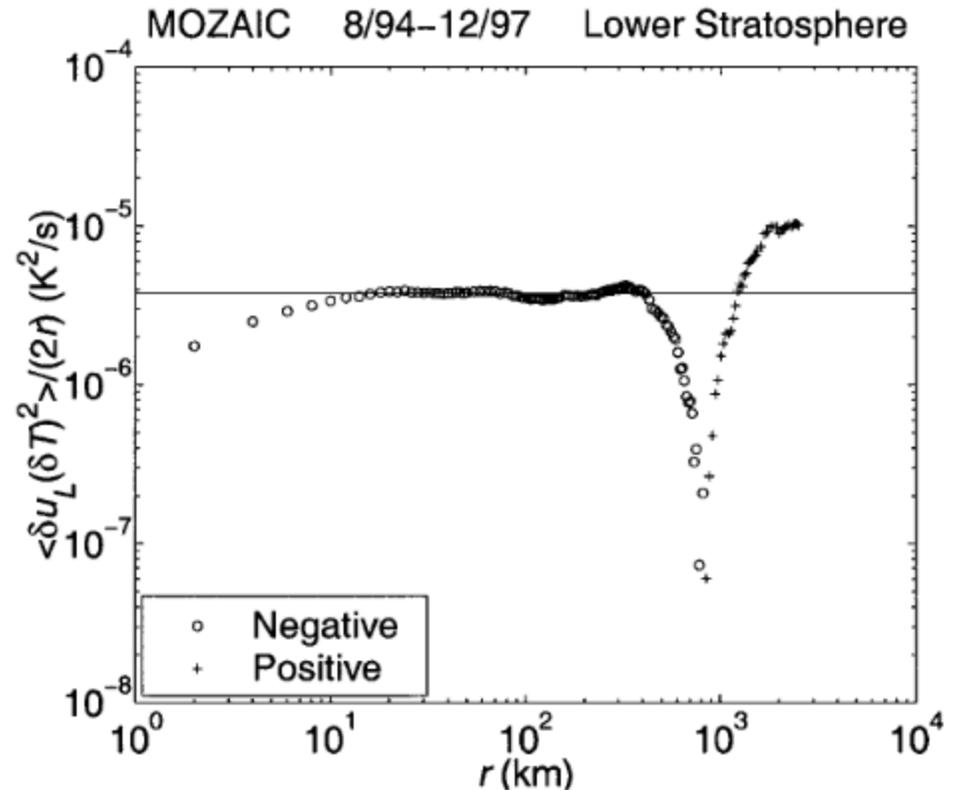
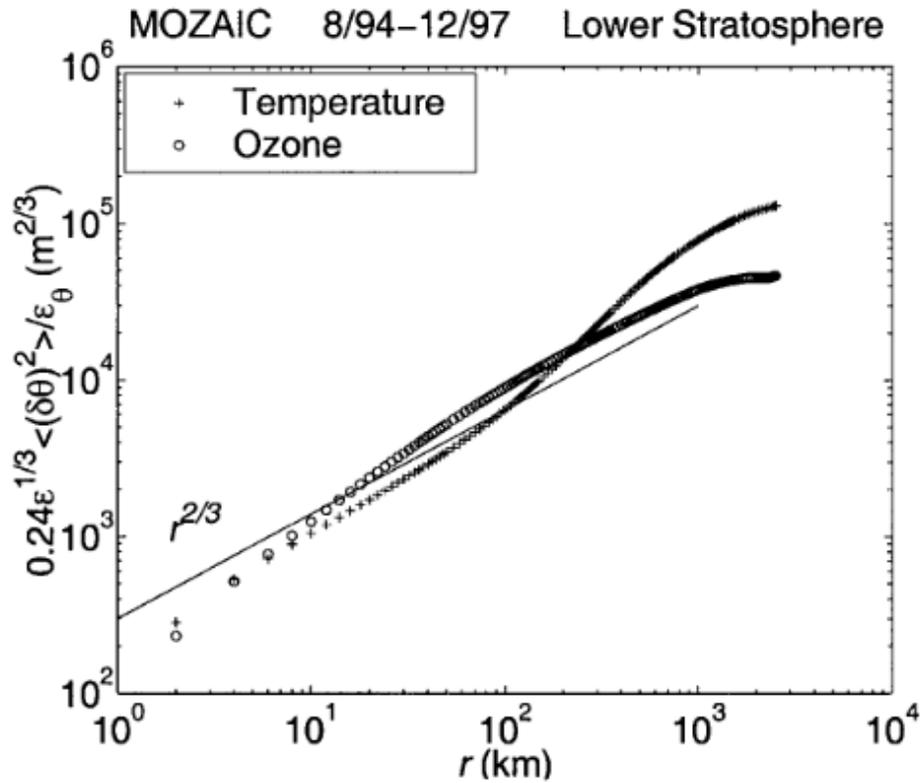
Structure Function (either in real or spectral space):

High-order statistics of a transported quantity along a direction and distance  $\vec{r}$

- 2<sup>nd</sup> order: Energy of the transported quantity along  $\vec{r}$
- 3<sup>rd</sup> order: Indicates the direction of the cascade along  $\vec{r}$
- 4<sup>th</sup> order: Indicates the probability of occurrence of rare & extreme events along  $\vec{r}$

# Added Value:

1. No Taylor hypothesis needed
2. Mid-troposphere, gridded observations: Real spatial vector  $\vec{r}$
3. Transport equation based on Advection-diffusion



- Obs from commercial flights
- 9-12km altitude
- Temperature derived from velocity via Taylor hypothesis

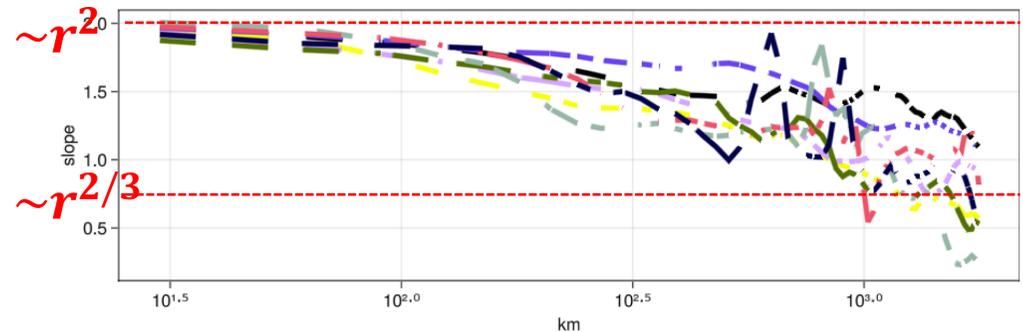
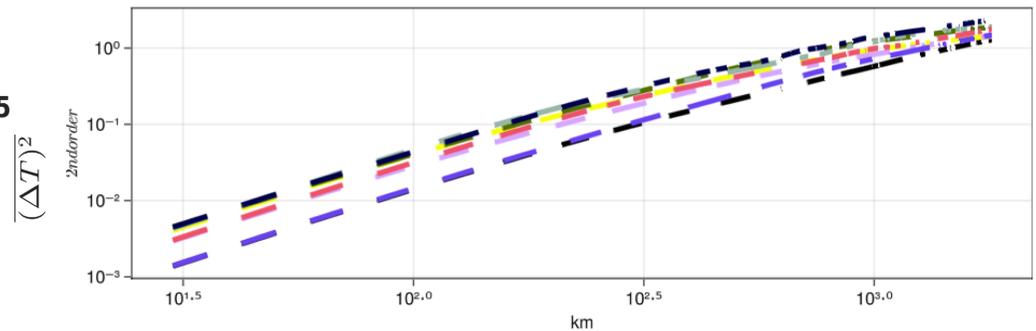
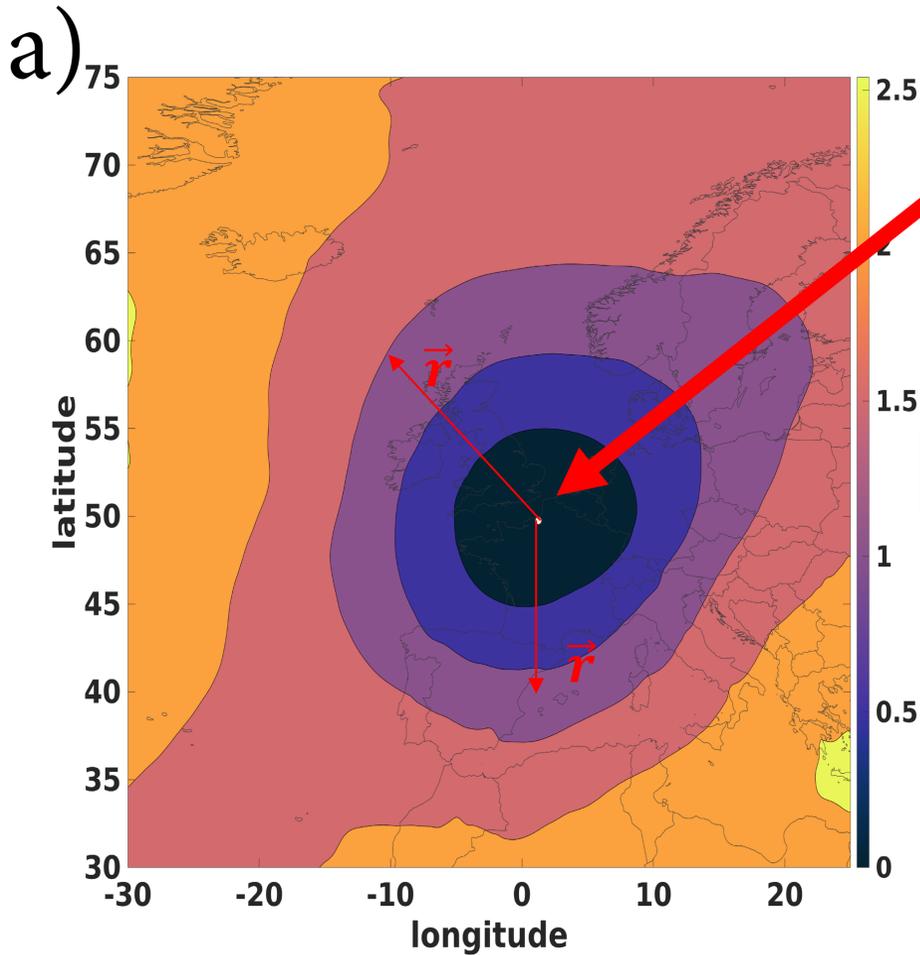
(Linborg and Cho, 2000) 54

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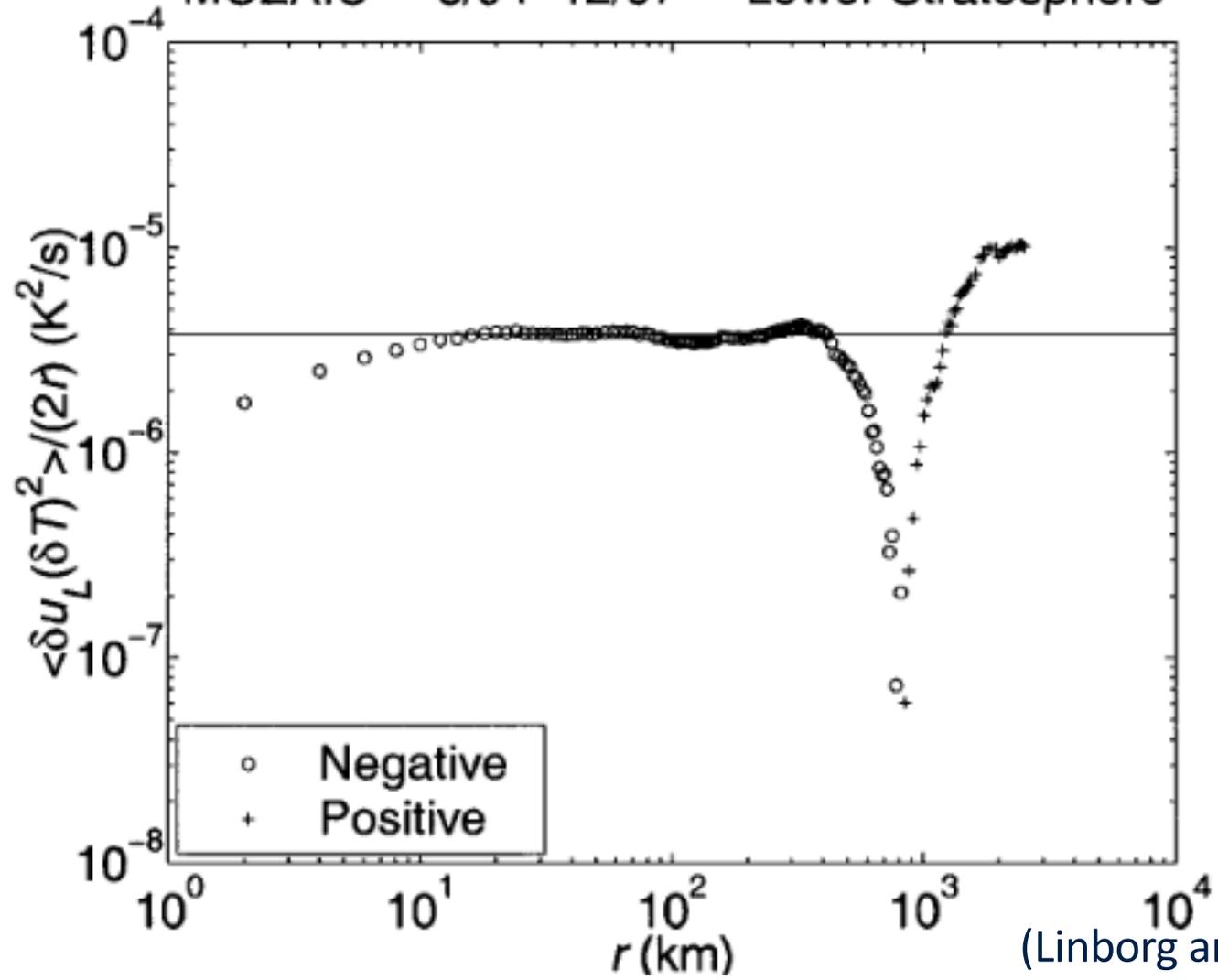
Large-scale temperature link  
with local, Rouen city  
temperature variability

# 2<sup>nd</sup>-order structure function

Lifetime: 4 days  $\leftrightarrow$  Synoptic  
fronts/gravity waves interaction?



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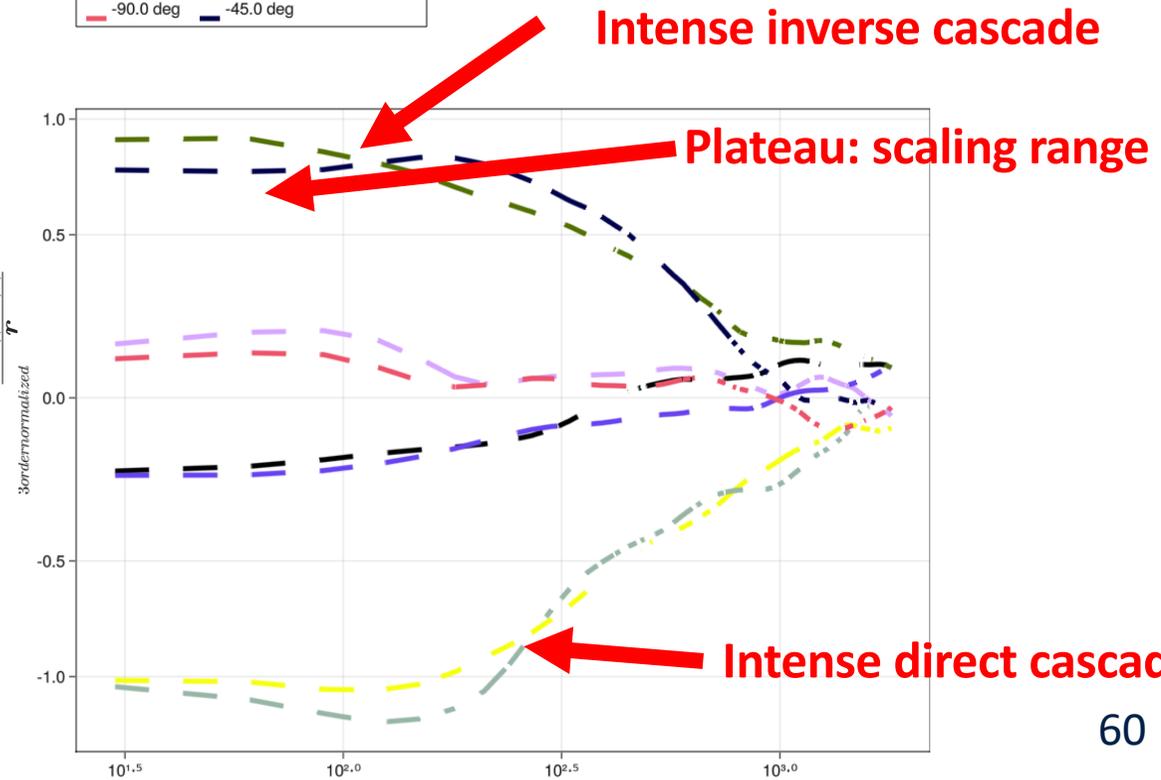
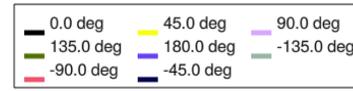
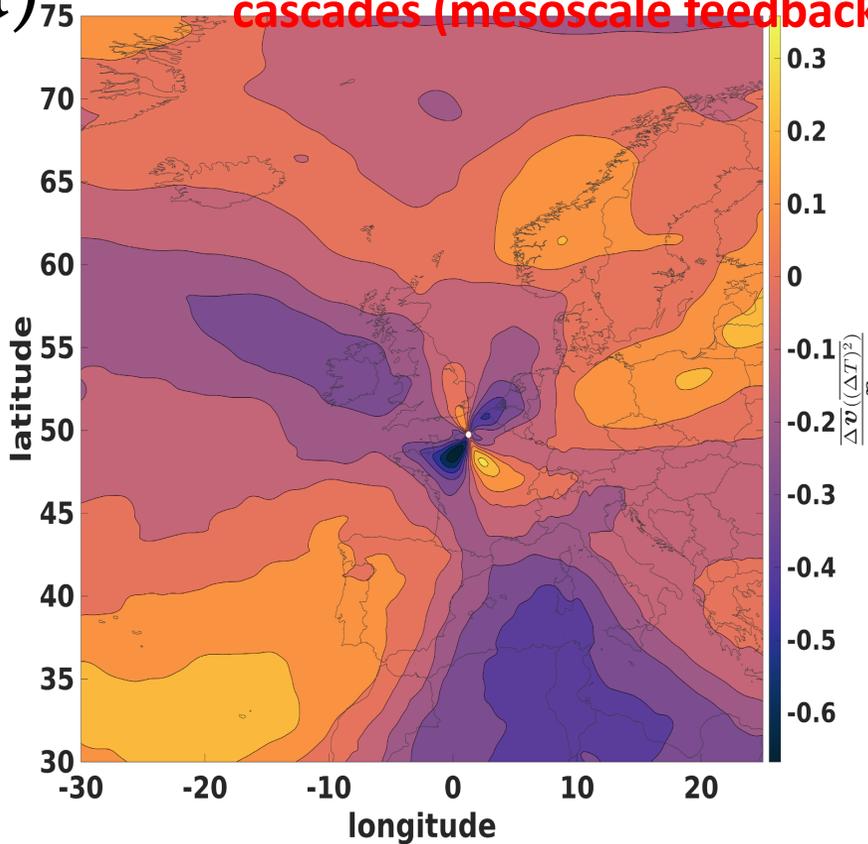


(Linborg and Cho, 2000)<sup>59</sup>

# 3rd-order structure function

**Hypothesis: vortex stretching (3D, due to wave breaking) or additional 2D cascades (mesoscale feedback)**

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# Methodology I: Data

ERA5 Reanalysis: 06/01/2003-08/31/2003

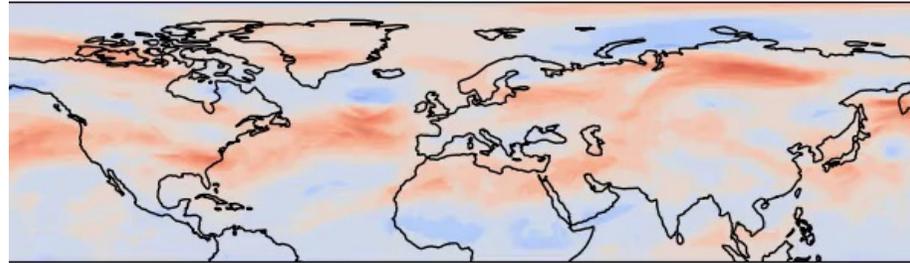
- Hourly time step
- Northern hemisphere @ 0.25° by 0.25° resolution (~30km)
- Three pressure levels: 200hPa (~9km height), 500hPa (~5km height), 850 hPa (~2km height)
- Variables used in computations (Total, Mean, Coherent, Random) : Temperature, Zonal Wind, Meridional Wind, TOA Net Thermal radiation, atmosphere gases/clouds feedback climate kernels

We will show computations mostly at the 500hPa pressure level because it represents a good approximation of both upper tropopause and near-surface flows.

# Methodology I: Triple Decomposition

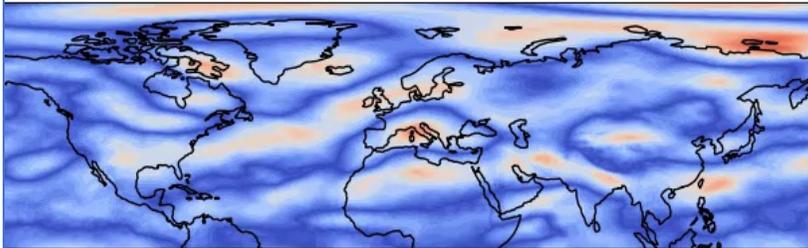
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2003/06/01/01/00



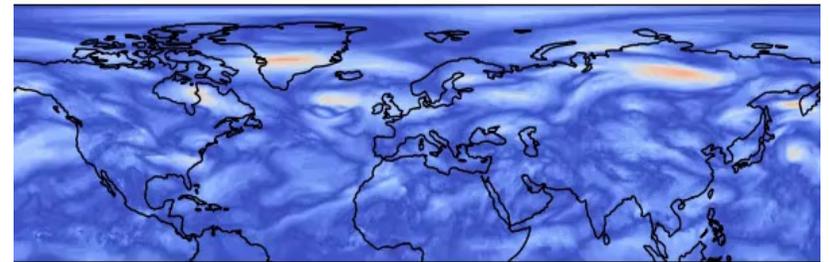
Coherent T

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Random T

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# Methodology I: Decomposed Variance

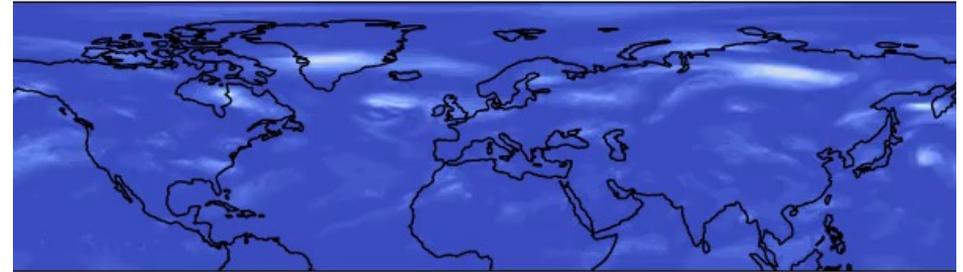
Coherent T Variance

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Random T Variance

2003/06/01/01/00



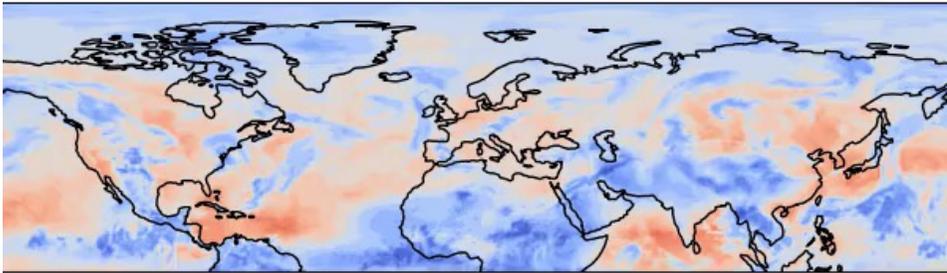
(white/red colors => high T Variance )

- Coherent T Variance decreases over western Europe is correlated with sudden increase in variance North Eurasia and East Asian Seas
- Random T Variance progressively bypasses West Europe around beginning of July
- Large mixing occurs in Eurasia at the same Time

# Methodology I: Energy injection and Forcing

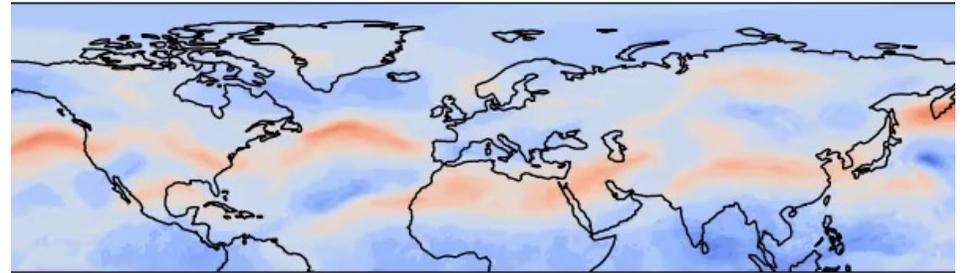
Net Thermal radiation @ 500hPa

2003/06/01/01/00



Temperature @ 200 Hpa

2003/06/01/01/00



(red colors => net thermal radiation deficit )

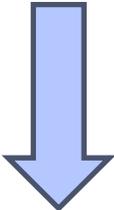
- Deficit progressively stagnates and increases over the Middle East and North of the Himalayan Range
- => Excess energy heats the atmosphere around those locations
- The Jet stream progressively breaks East of those areas
- => Large stagnating eddies appear West of Europe

# Methodology I: Tentative explanation

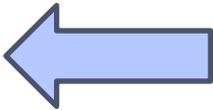
Net radiation Deficit Middle-East/North of Himalyan Range



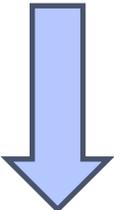
Increase in the poleward temperature advection around those longitudes



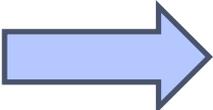
Large eddies appear both on the North West Side, and the North East-Side



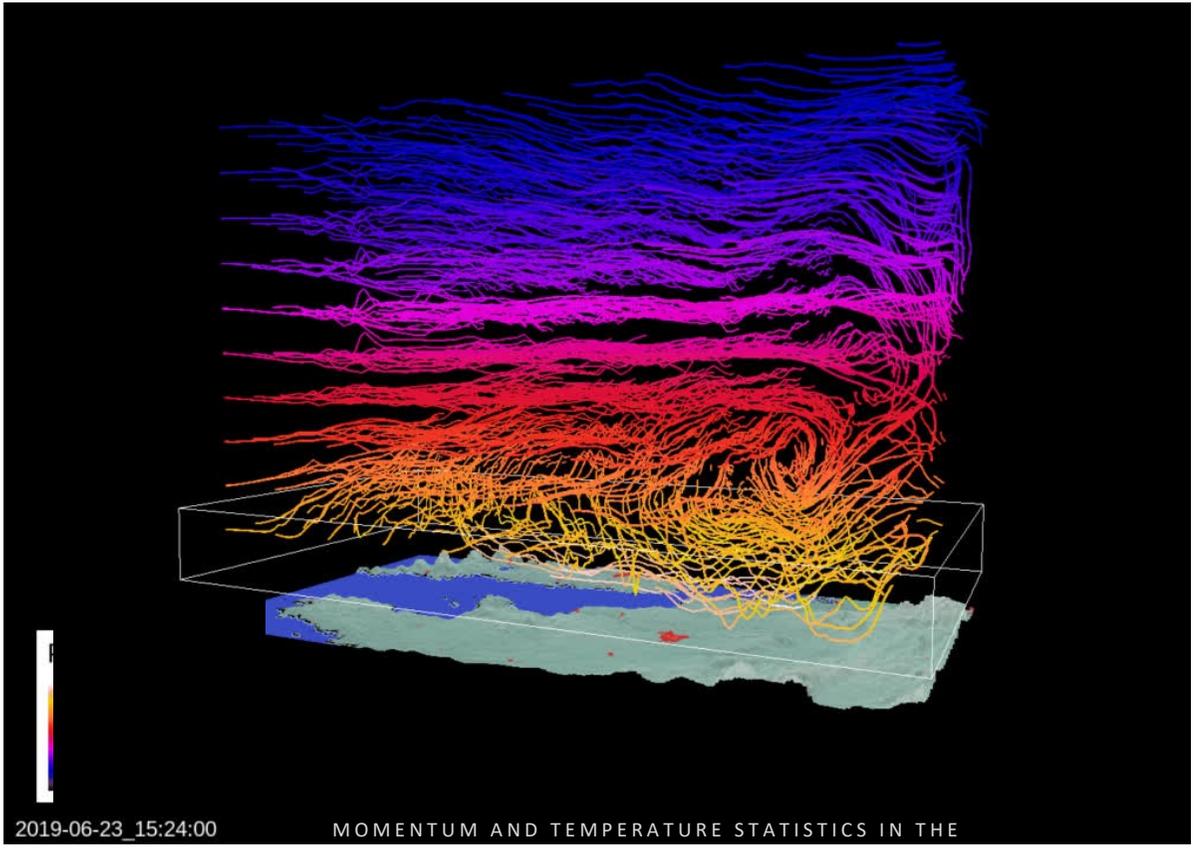
Rossby Wave Break West of this poleward advection



France is sandwiched between those two sides with hot air coming from south and no westerlies due to wave breaking



**Blocking Event**



# The WRF model

## Advantage:

- Highly customisable
- Wide community
- Reliable
- Can go to high resolution

## Drawback:

- harder to run at high resolution



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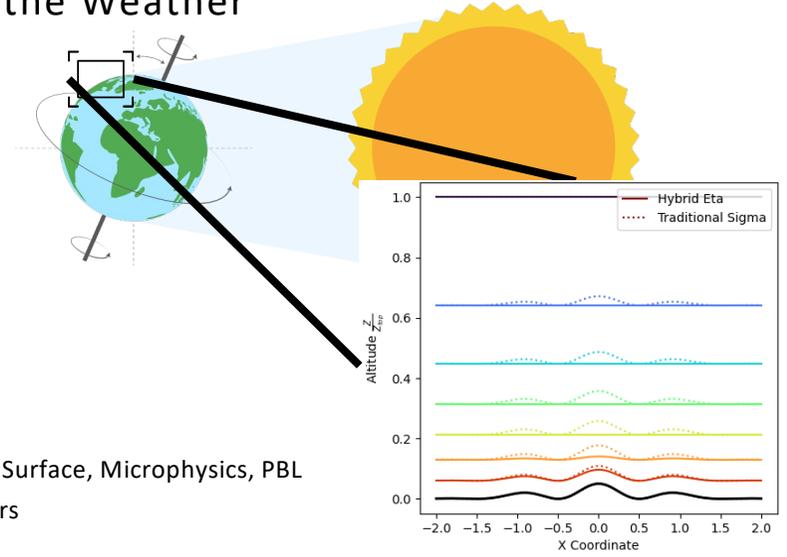
A state of the art mesoscale numerical weather prediction system designed for both atmospheric research and operational forecasting applications

# THE WRF MODEL

Taking into account all (significant) forces we can predict the Weather

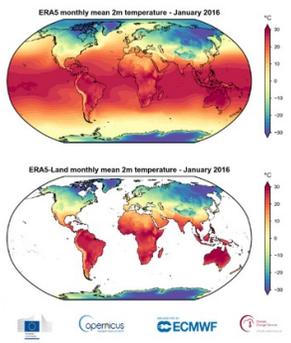
$$\mathbf{F} = m \frac{d\mathbf{v}}{dt} = m\mathbf{a}. \quad \text{Fluid continuum} \quad \frac{D\mathbf{u}}{Dt} = -\frac{\nabla p}{\rho} + \mathbf{F}$$

Taking into account Gravity, Centrifugal, Normal forces (Pressure gradient) and influence of topography

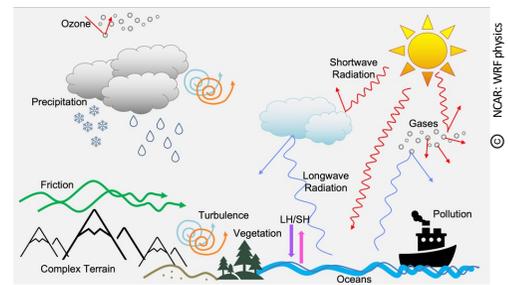


$$\begin{aligned} \partial_t U + (\nabla \cdot \mathbf{V}u) + \mu_d \alpha \partial_x p + (\alpha/\alpha_d) \partial_\eta p \partial_x \phi &= F_U \\ \partial_t V + (\nabla \cdot \mathbf{V}v) + \mu_d \alpha \partial_y p + (\alpha/\alpha_d) \partial_\eta p \partial_y \phi &= F_V \\ \partial_t W + (\nabla \cdot \mathbf{V}w) - g[(\alpha/\alpha_d) \partial_\eta p - \mu_d] &= F_W \\ \partial_t \Theta_m + (\nabla \cdot \mathbf{V}\theta_m) &= F_{\Theta_m} \\ \partial_t \mu_d + (\nabla \cdot \mathbf{V}) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

What goes here?  
Physics (Coriolis, Radiation, Surface, Microphysics, PBL mixing) and Numerical filters



$$\begin{aligned} \partial_t \phi + \mu_d^{-1} [(\mathbf{V} \cdot \nabla \phi) - gW] &= 0 \\ \partial_t Q_m + (\nabla \cdot \mathbf{V}q_m) &= F_{Q_m} \end{aligned}$$



➤ We use ERA5 reanalysis for the initial state and Boundary conditions

*'m' = moist potential temperature (if all the moisture were condensed and the released latent heat was added to the parcel)*

# Simulation characteristic

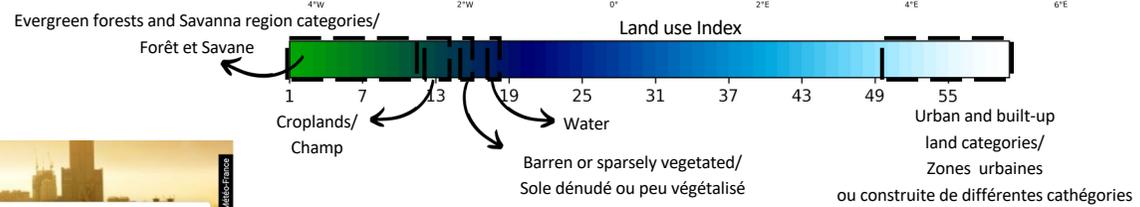
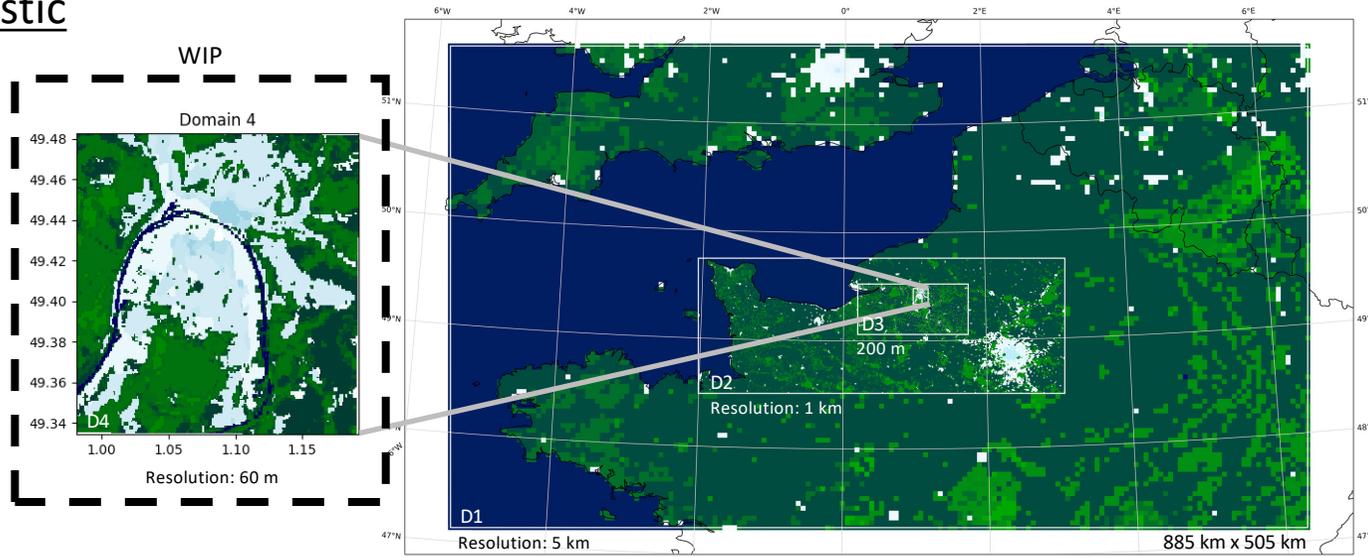
## Domains :

D1 = 5km    D3 = 200m

D2 = 1km    D4 = 60m

## Possible change to domains :

- D1 might be expanded to include more of the Atlantic
- D4 will be implemented.
- D2 and D3 may be adapted if need be.



## Bulletin de santé publique canicule. Bilan été 2019.

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### Points clés

L'été 2019 a été marqué par deux canicules très étendues et intenses, avec des dépassements des seuils d'alerte entre le 24 juin et le 7 juillet et le 21 et le 27 juillet. Lors de ces deux canicules, pour la première fois, respectivement 4 et 20 départements, représentant 7 % et 35% de la population Française métropolitaine, ont été placés en vigilance rouge, compte-tenu des températures diurnes exceptionnelles.

L'été 2019 a été marqué par deux vagues de chaleur assez courtes (6 jours) mais d'une intensité record pour un mois de juin pour la première et record tous mois confondus ex æquo avec celle d'août 2003 pour la seconde.

### 46 °C en France !

Le nouveau record absolu de chaleur nationale a été battu lors de la canicule de juin. Le mercure a en effet atteint 46 °C à Vérargues (Hérault) le 28 juin 2019 : c'est la température la plus élevée jamais mesurée en France. De nombreux records absolus tous mois confondus sont tombés avec souvent plus de 40 °C sur le Sud-Est en juin et sur le nord du pays en juillet.

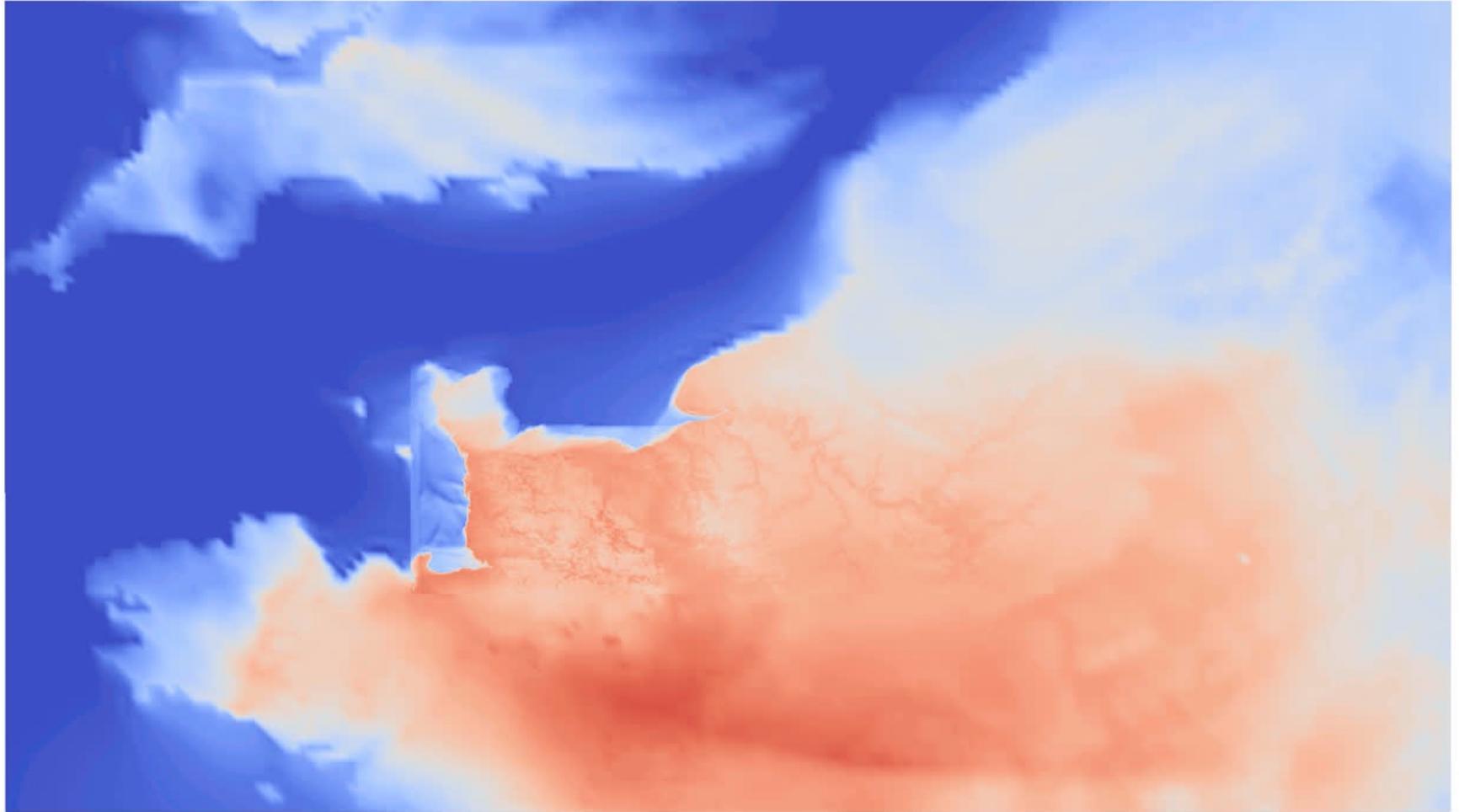
Fin juin, la vigilance rouge canicule a été utilisée pour la première fois depuis sa création en 2004.

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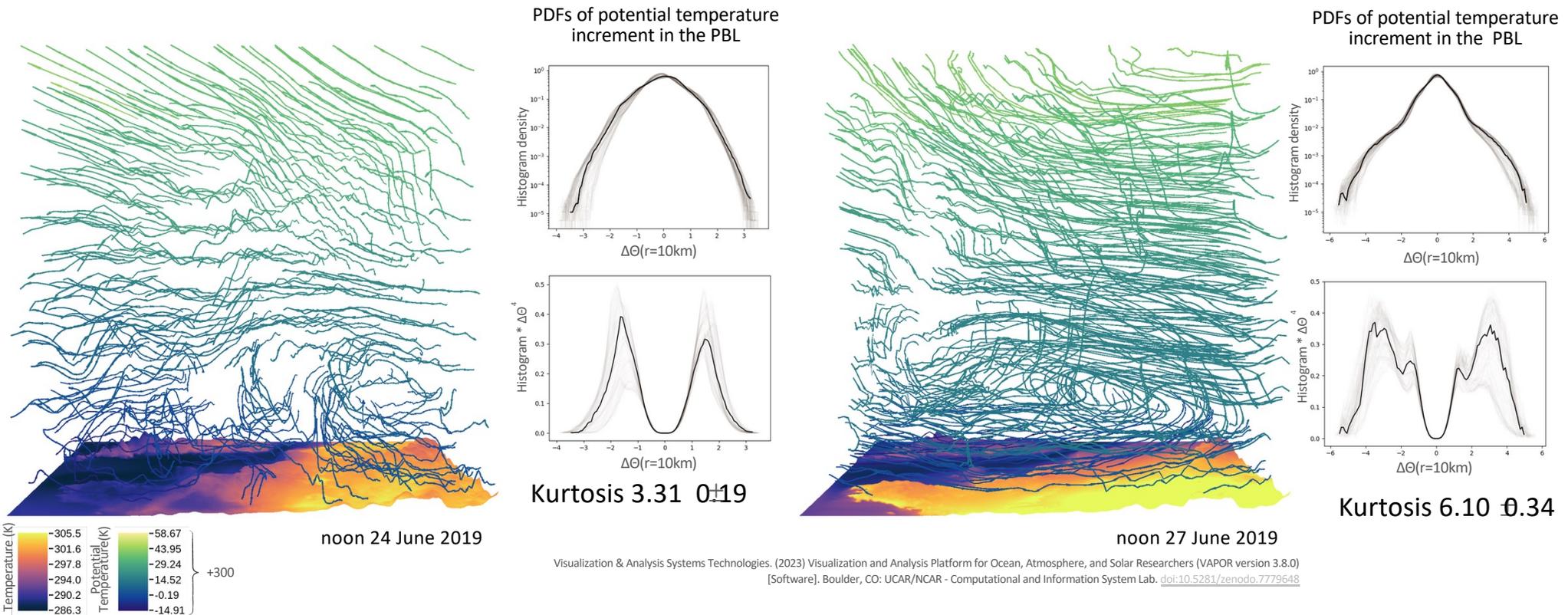
Météo-  
France

Studied time: 24-28 June 2019

## Evolution of the temperature at a level 2m above ground level



# Results: Potential temperature spread.



Turbulent behaviour across layers leads to mixing of scalars like potential temperature extending the tails of increment PDFs, corresponding to more extreme events.

Night

Day

Before

During

Before

During

HeatWave

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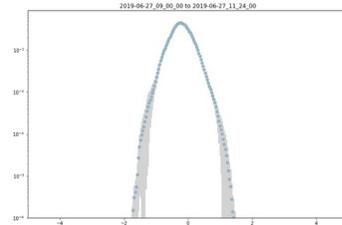
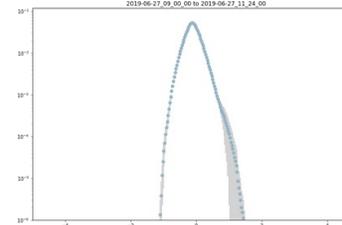
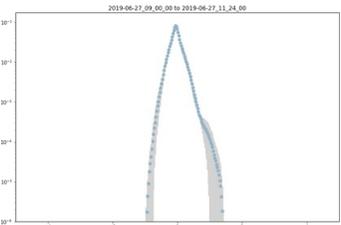
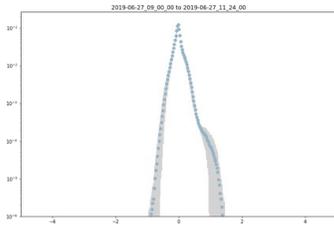
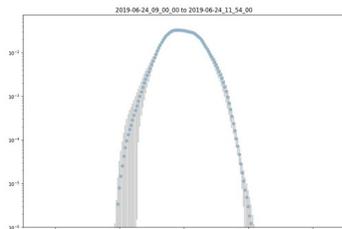
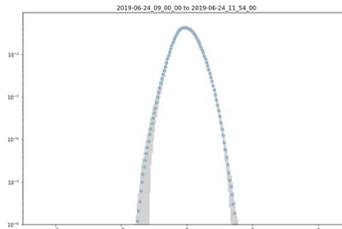
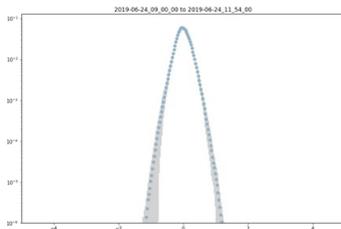
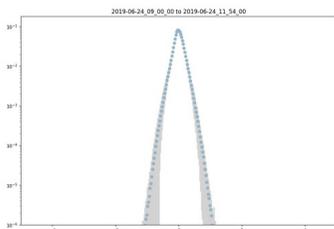
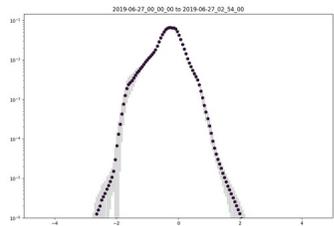
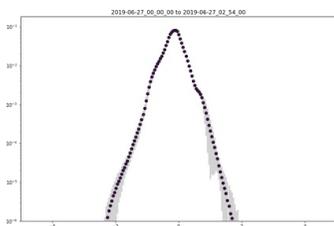
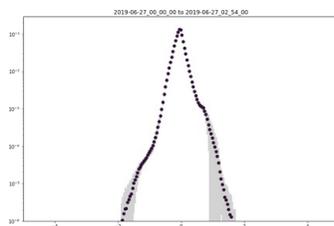
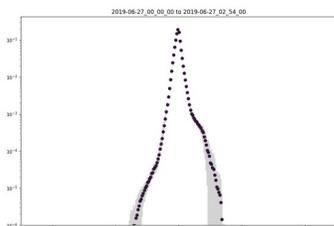
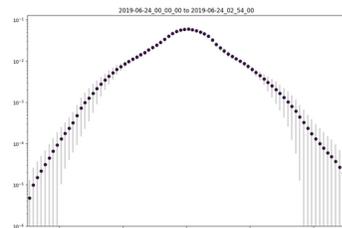
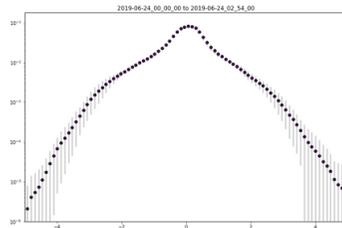
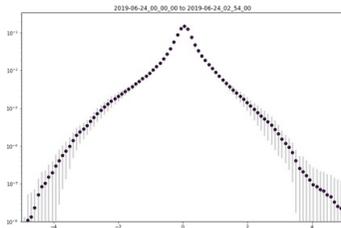
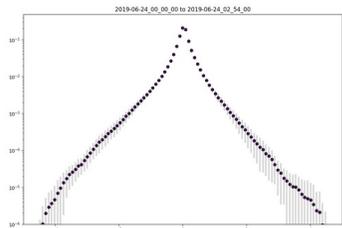
HeatWave

r=1km

r=2km

r=5km

r=10km



PDF of  $\Delta T \approx 100\text{m}$  above the ground