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ALARO in climate simulations

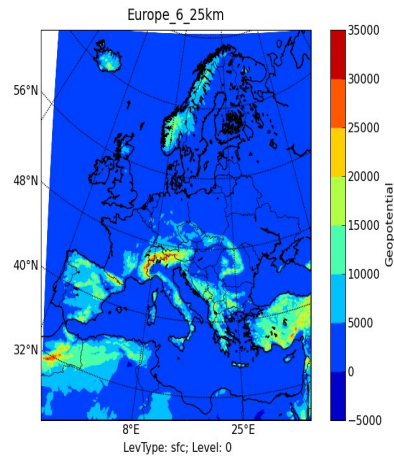
Motivation

- Regional Climate models are approaching 10 km resolution.
- Need for even higher resolution towards “cloud resolving”.
- HARMONIE is part of the SMHI modeling strategy.
- HARMONIE is a flexible tool.

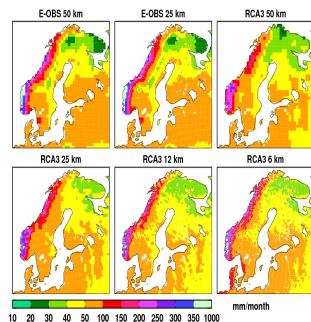
Initial work

- Monthly restarts
- Update Sea Surface Temperature (SST)
- SURFEX
- ERA Interim

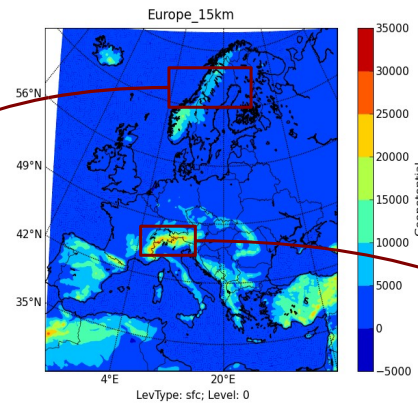
New high-resolution climate model



Resolution: 6,25 km
 Time step: 5 min
 Period: 1998-2007
 Cycle: 36h1
 Forcing: ERA Interim



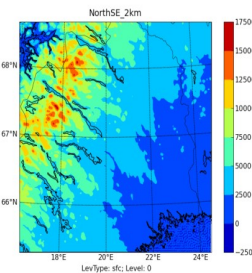
Evaluation, validation
 and soon 30-year
 simulations.



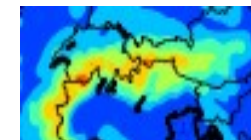
Resolution: 15 km
 Time step: 6 min
 Period: 1998-2002
 Forcing: ERA Interim

Northern Scandinavia

Alpine region



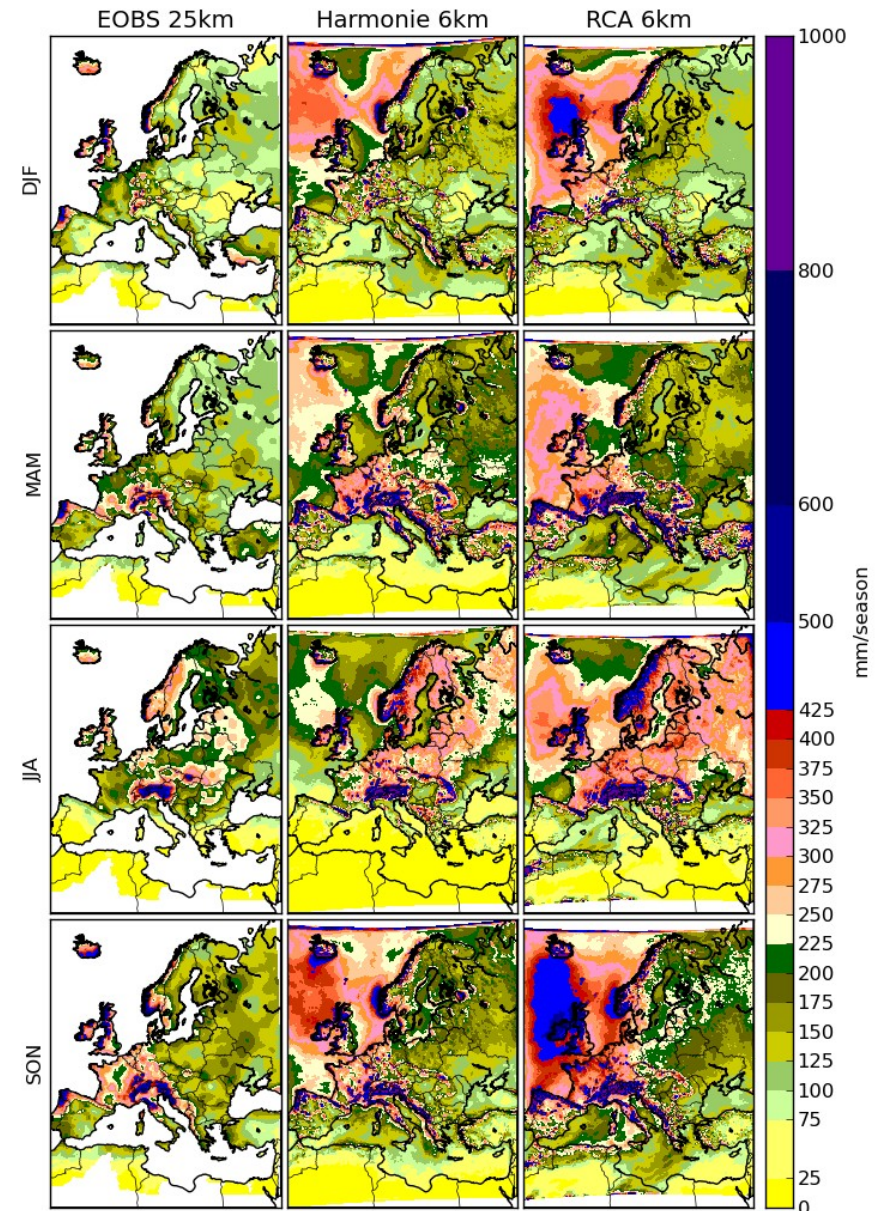
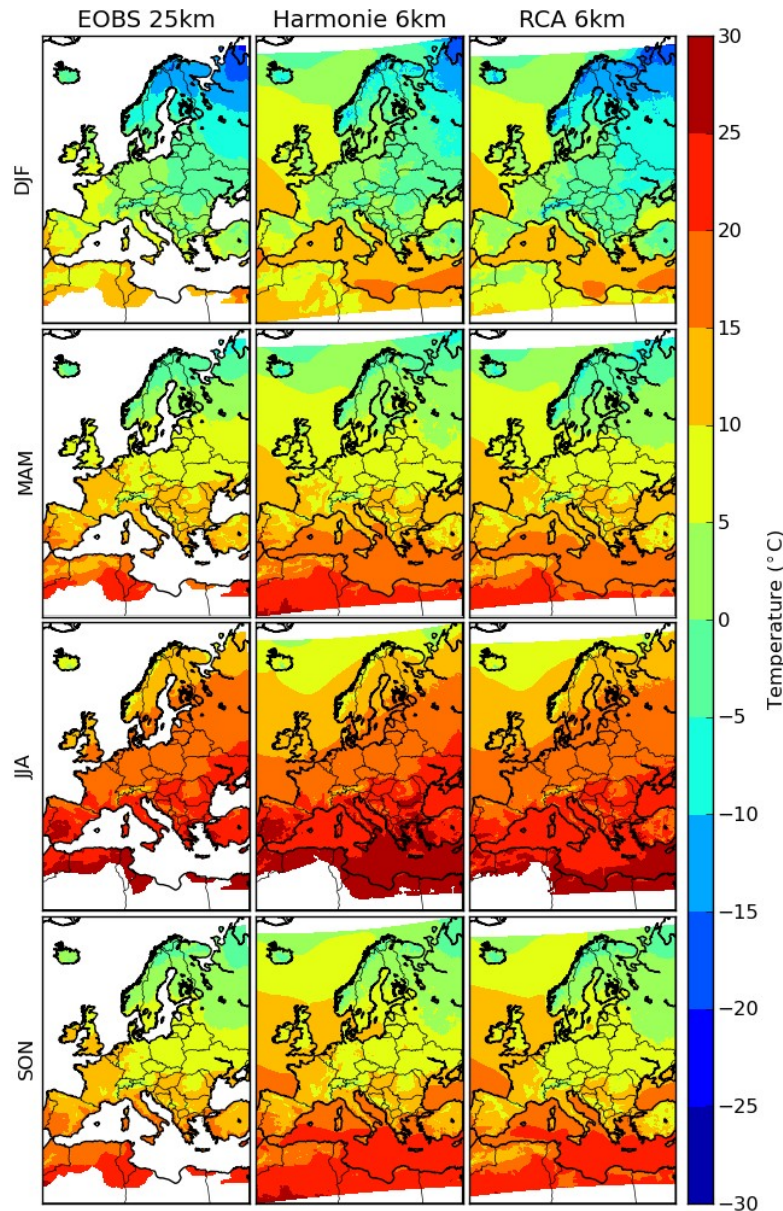
Resolution: 2km
 Time step: 1min
 Physics: AROME



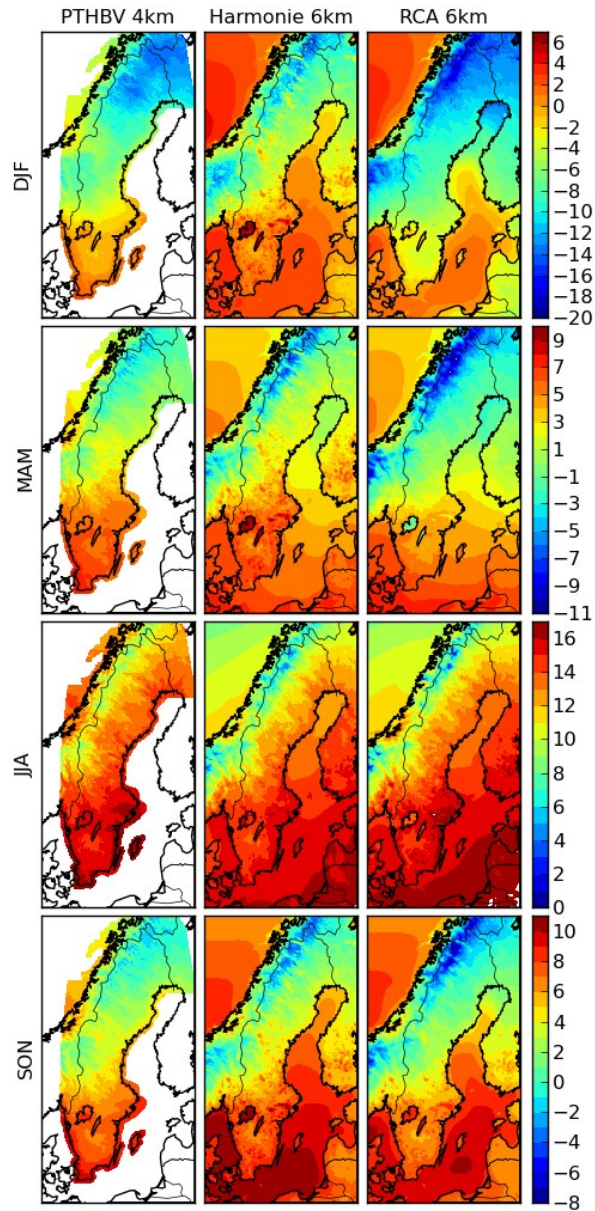
First results

2 meter temperature seasons 1998-2002

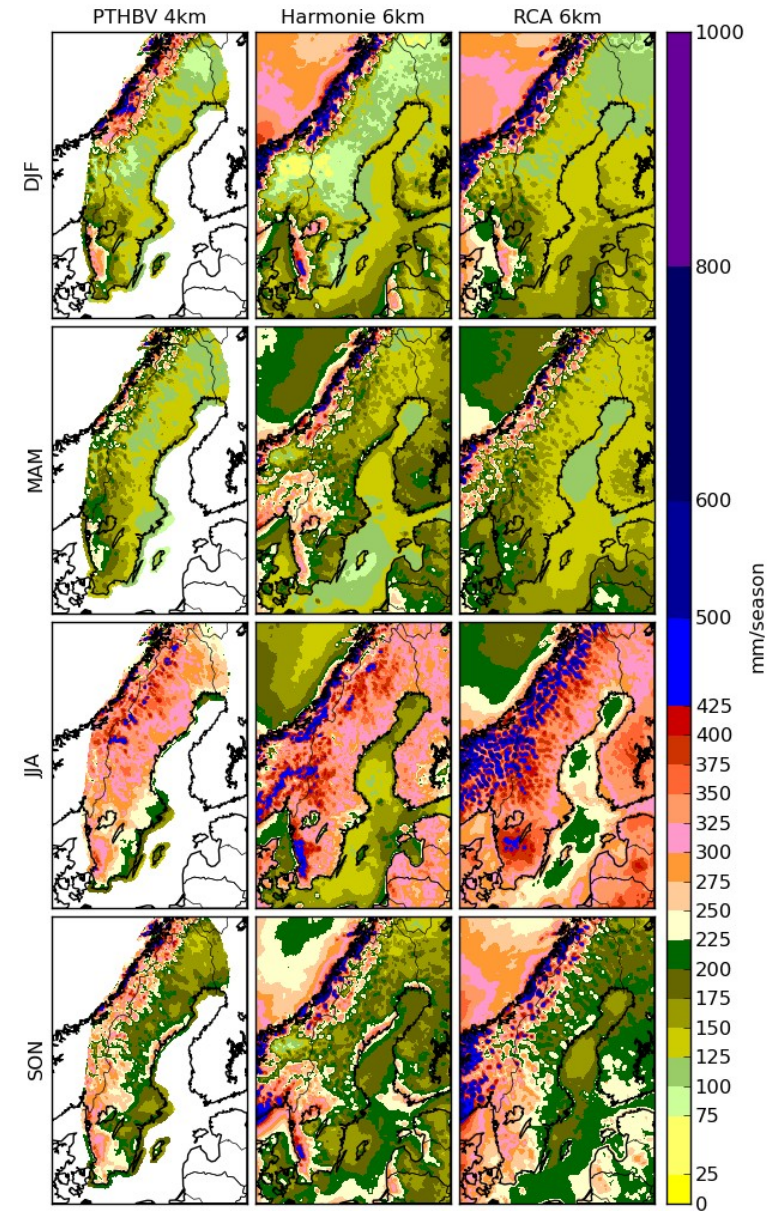
Precipitation seasons 1998-2002



2 meter temperature seasons 1998-2002



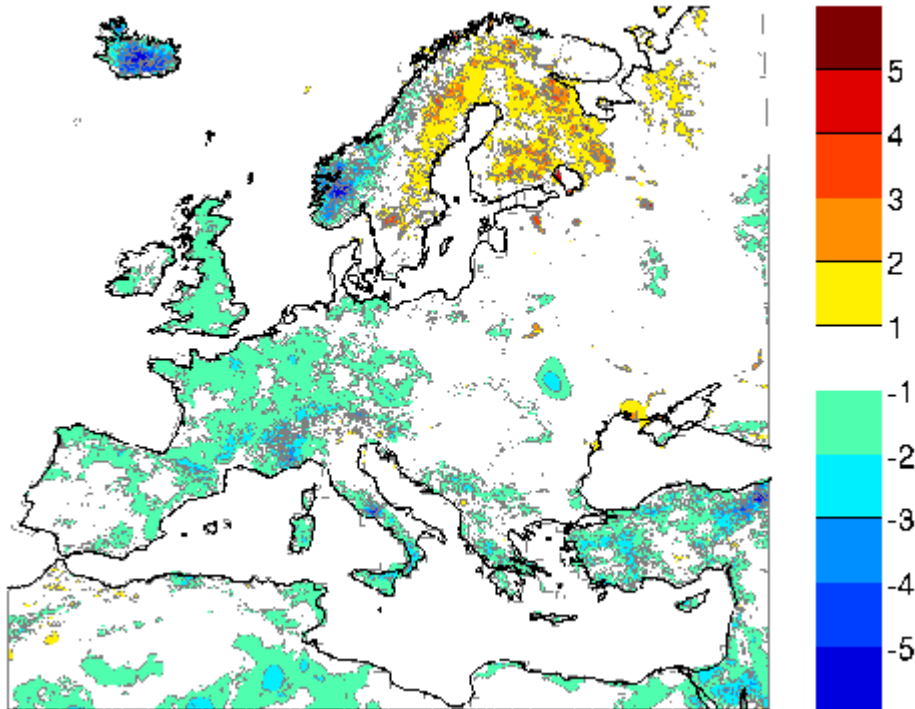
Precipitation seasons 1998-2002



2 meter Temperature (1998-2002)

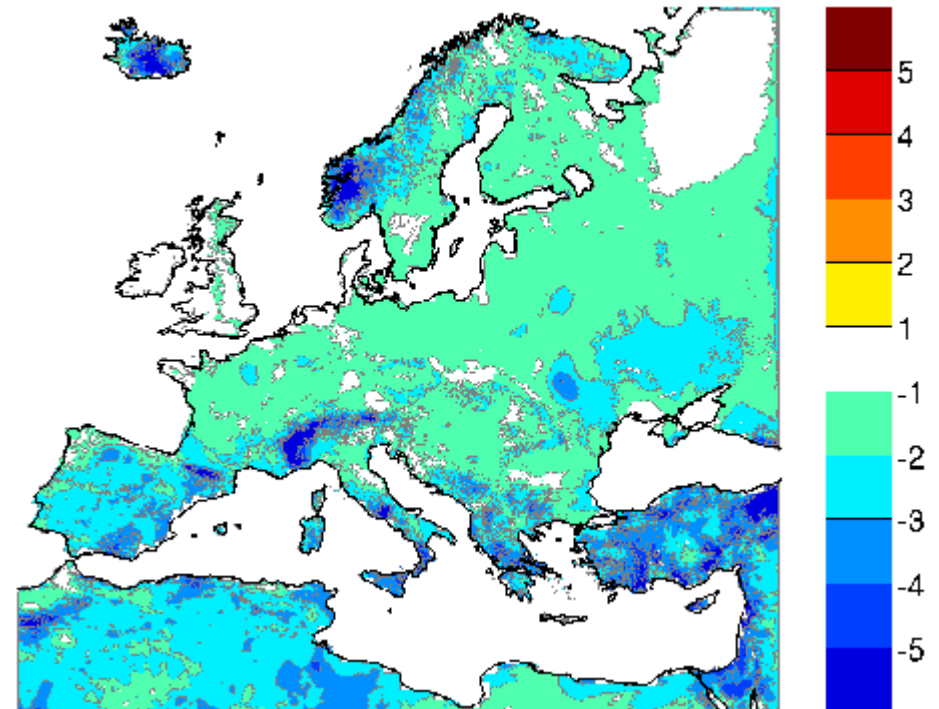
HARM - CRU

HARM:2m - CRJ31 t2m



RCA - CRU

RCA3 t2mspan_j - CRJ31 t2m

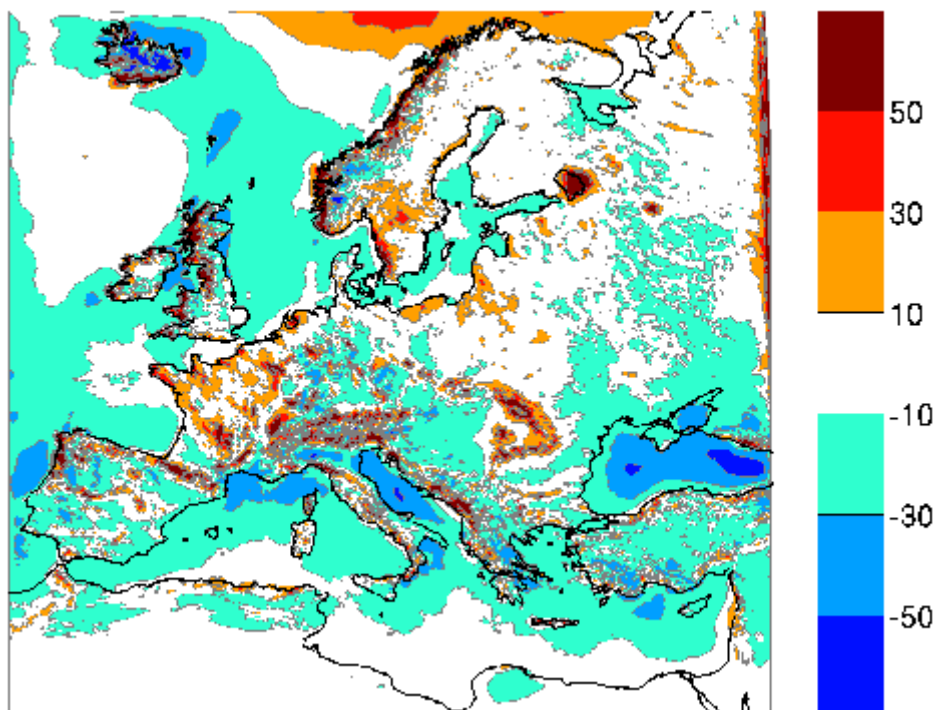


Averaging period: Jan to Dec
Units in degrees Celsius

Precipitation (1998-2002)

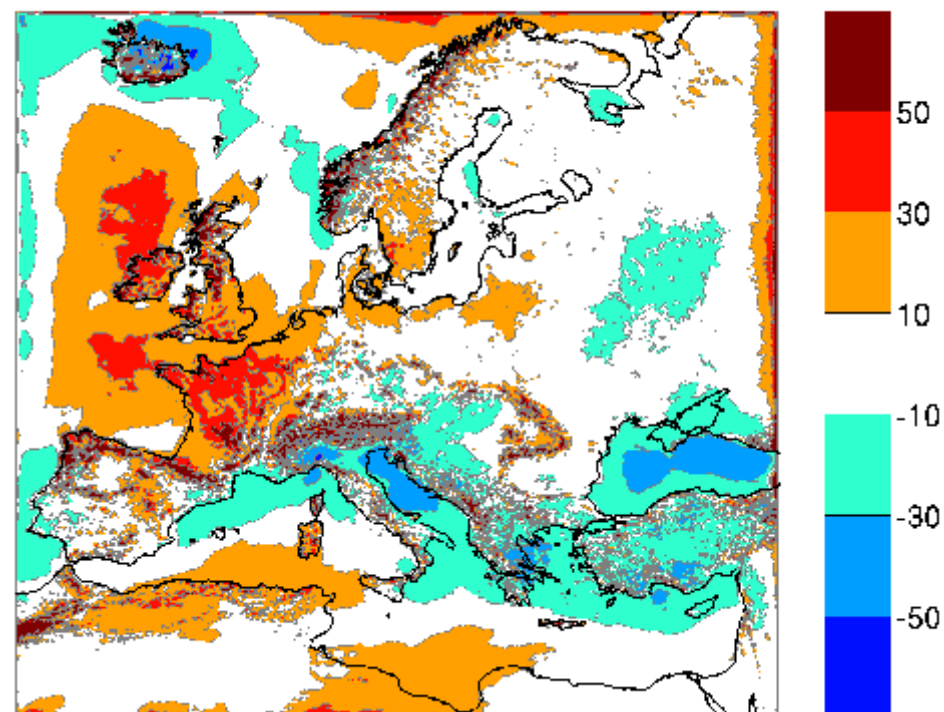
HARM - GPCP

HARM totprec * 30.4 - GPCP prc



RCA - GPCP

RCA3 laprc + RCA3 coniprc - GPCP prc

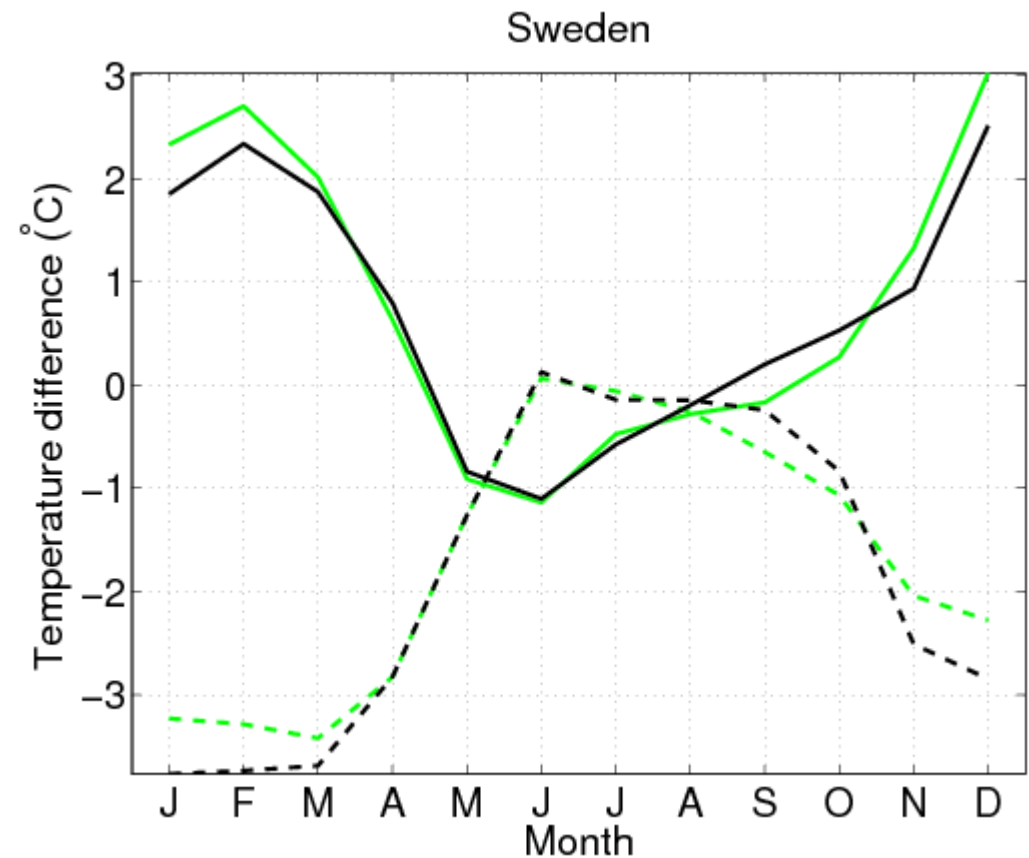
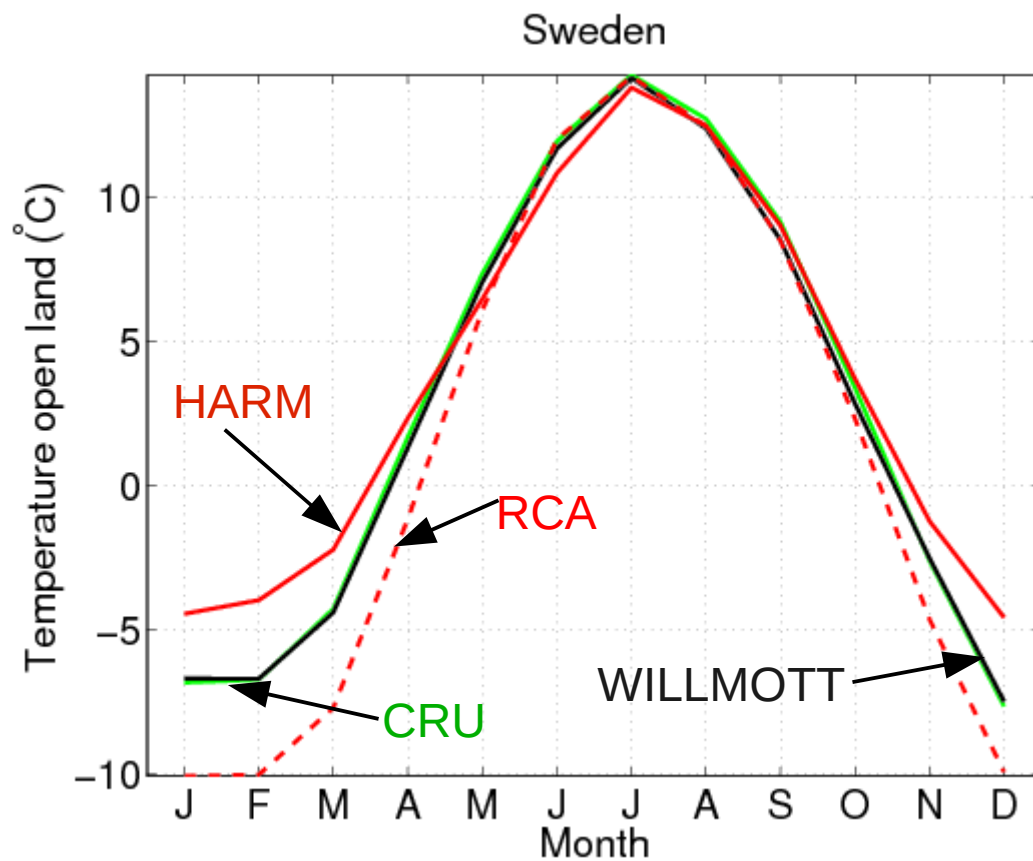


Averaging period: Jan to Dec
Units in mm/month

Climatic regions



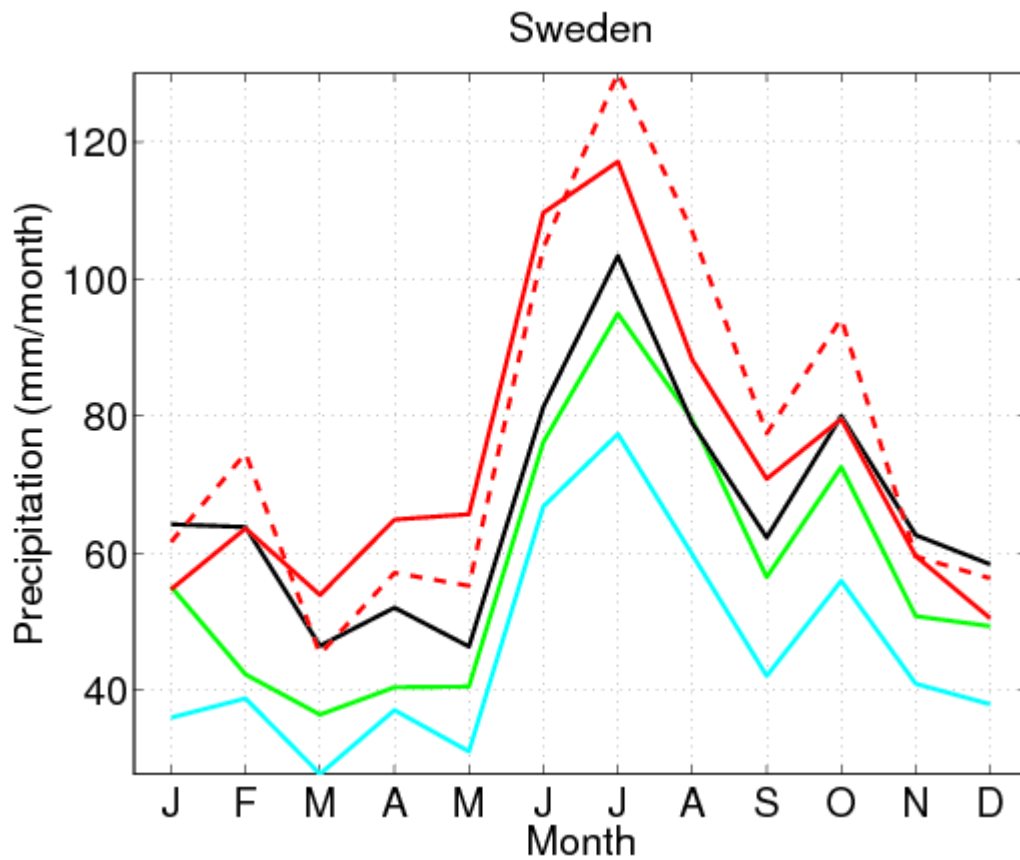
Temperature for Sweden



HARMONIE – CRU, RCA – CRU

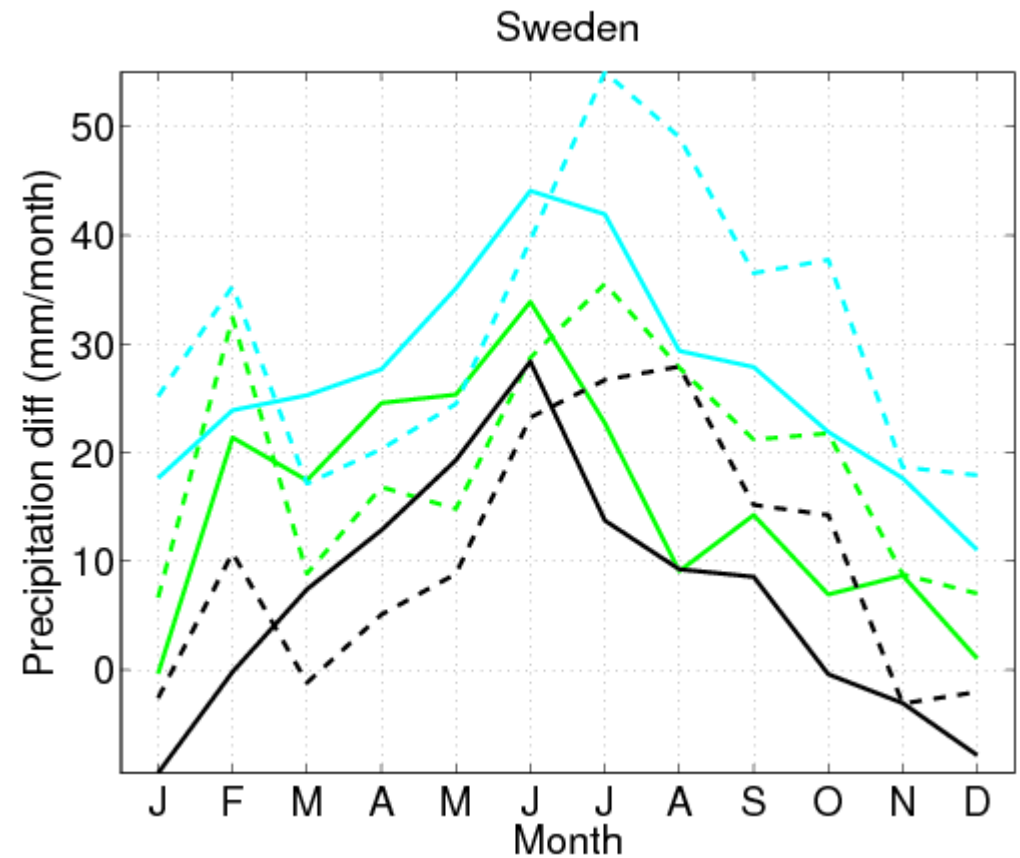
HARMONIE – WILLMOTT, RCA - WILLMOTT

Precipitation for Sweden



GPCP WILLMOTT CRU

HARMONIE RCA



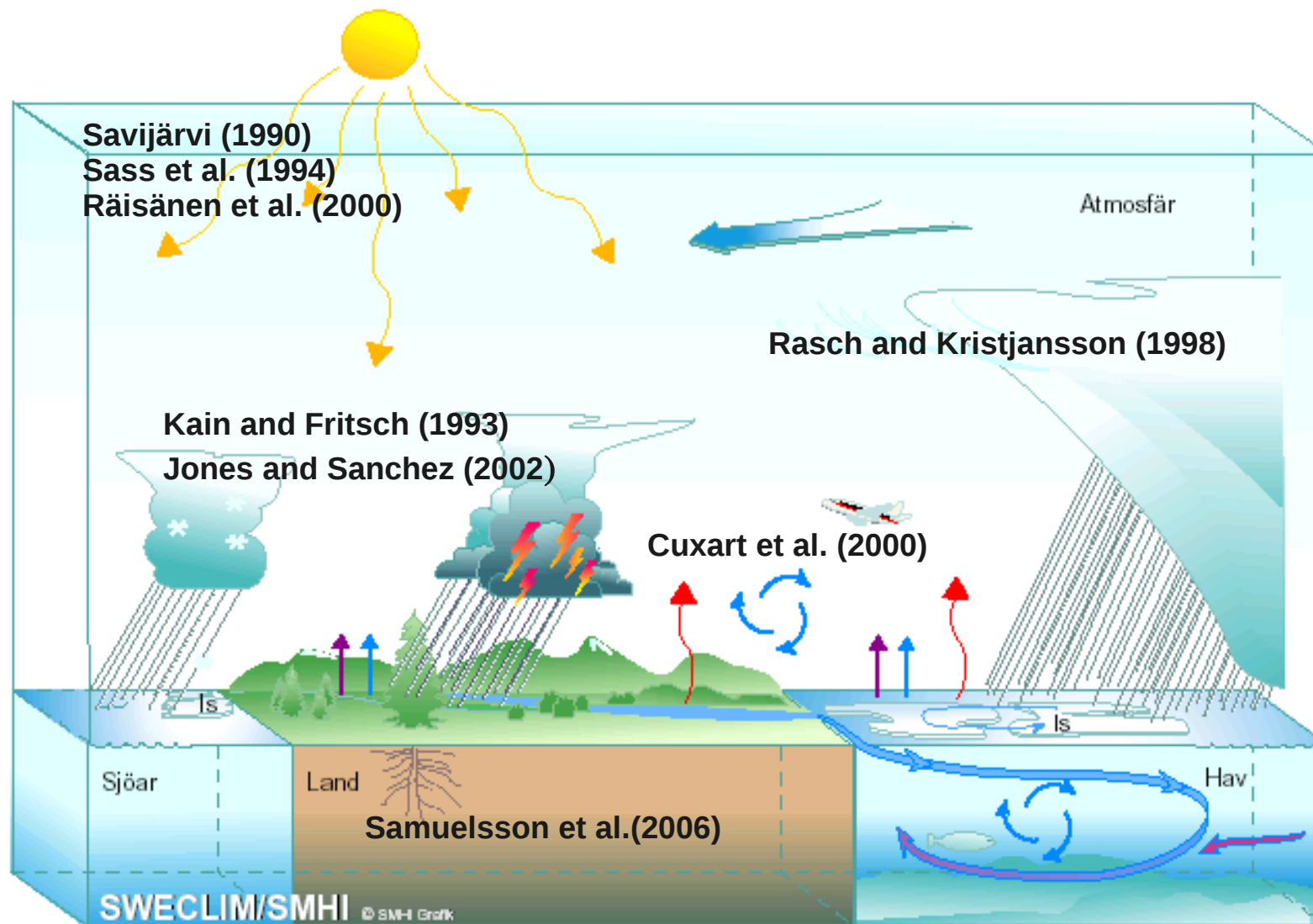
HARMONIE - CRU, RCA - CRU

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Physics in RCA3

(Kjellström et al. 2005)



Future plans

- Climate settings
- Longer integrations
- Scenarios
- EC-Earth as driving model
- Downscale ALARO with AROME
- Ocean model NEMO

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Thanks!

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