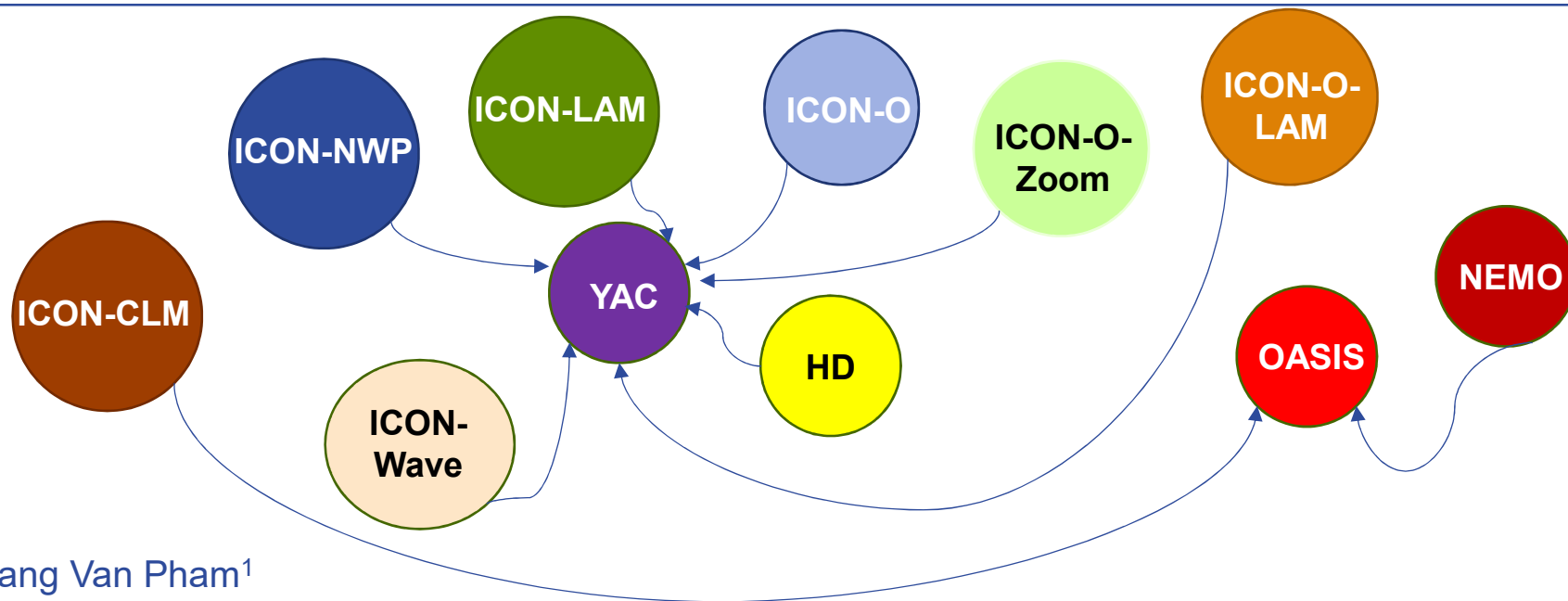


Coupling in ICON-Seamless



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Seamless Prediction System

Started Nov 2020:

Model and data assimilation for

- ✓ Numerical Weather Prediction (NWP)
- ✓ Climate Prediction (seasonal, decadal)
- ✓ Climate Projection (global and regional)
- ✓ Air quality (aerosol optics & burden, emissions, ...)

based on **NWP physics**.

- One **consistent model** (incl. atmosphere, ocean, land, tracers)
- **Configurations** for different applications: weather forecast, climate predictions...
- ➔ in collaboration with **MPI-M, KIT, DKRZ, UHH, MPI-BGC,**

...

Atmosphere & ART

Ocean



Land

Cryosphere



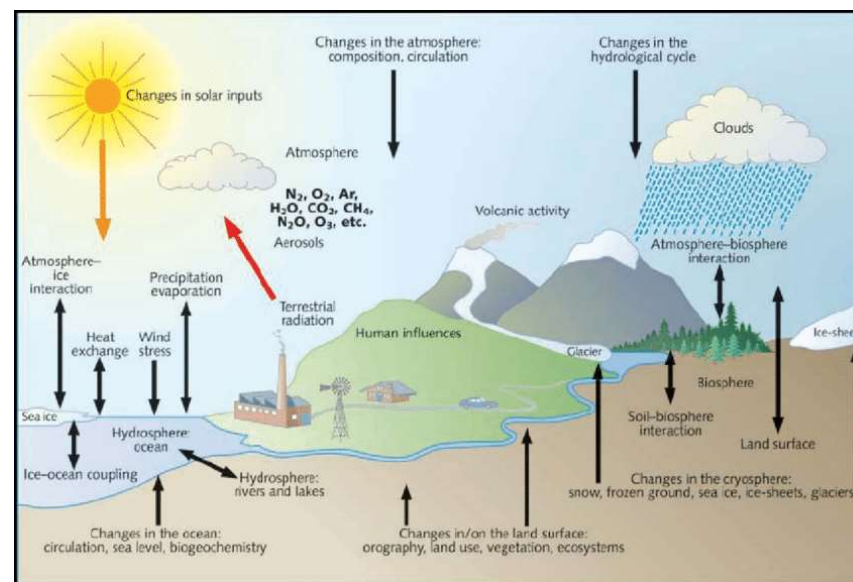
Components considered in ICON-Seamless

ICON-NWP for operational weather forecast since 2015

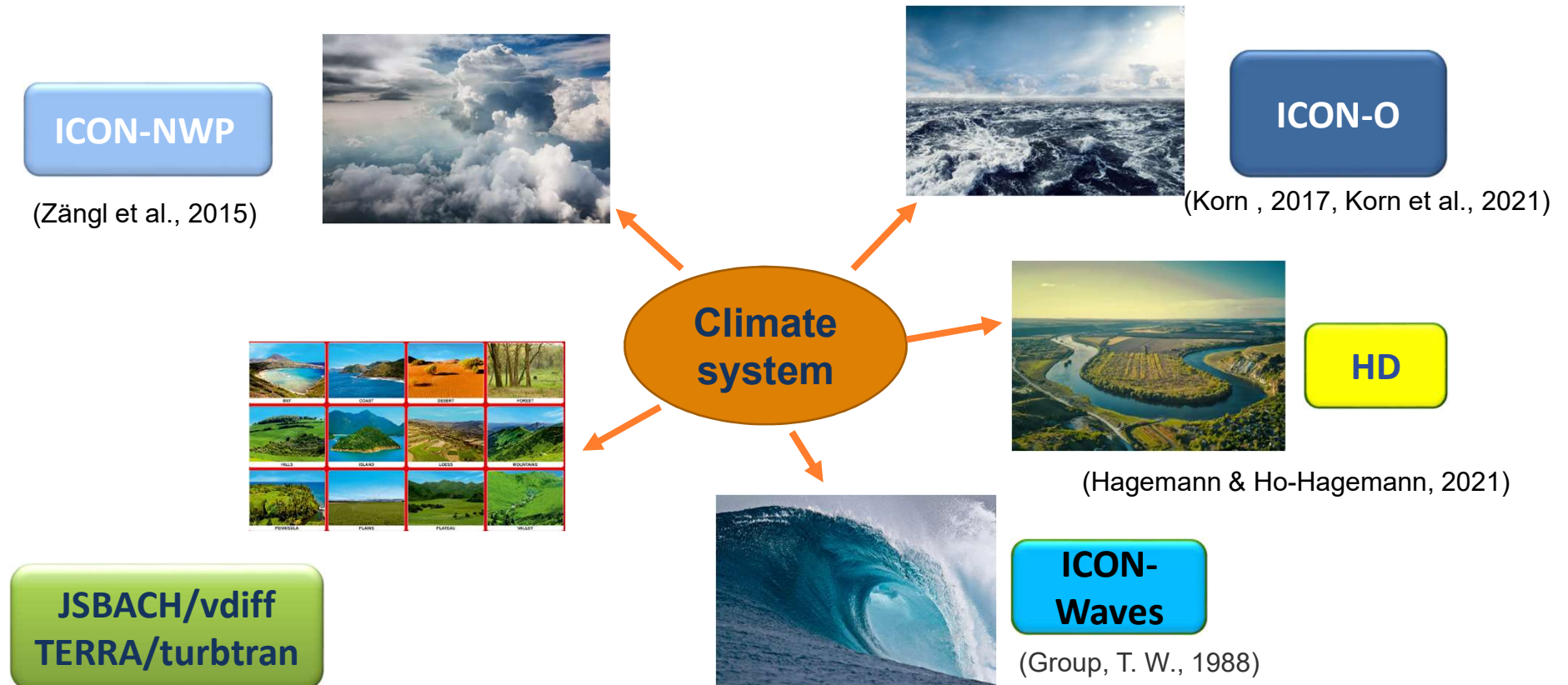
Interactions in climate system: e.g air-sea heat exchange, land-ocean water exchange

Climate prediction requires other components of Climate system:

- atmosphere
- land
- river discharge
- ocean
- ...



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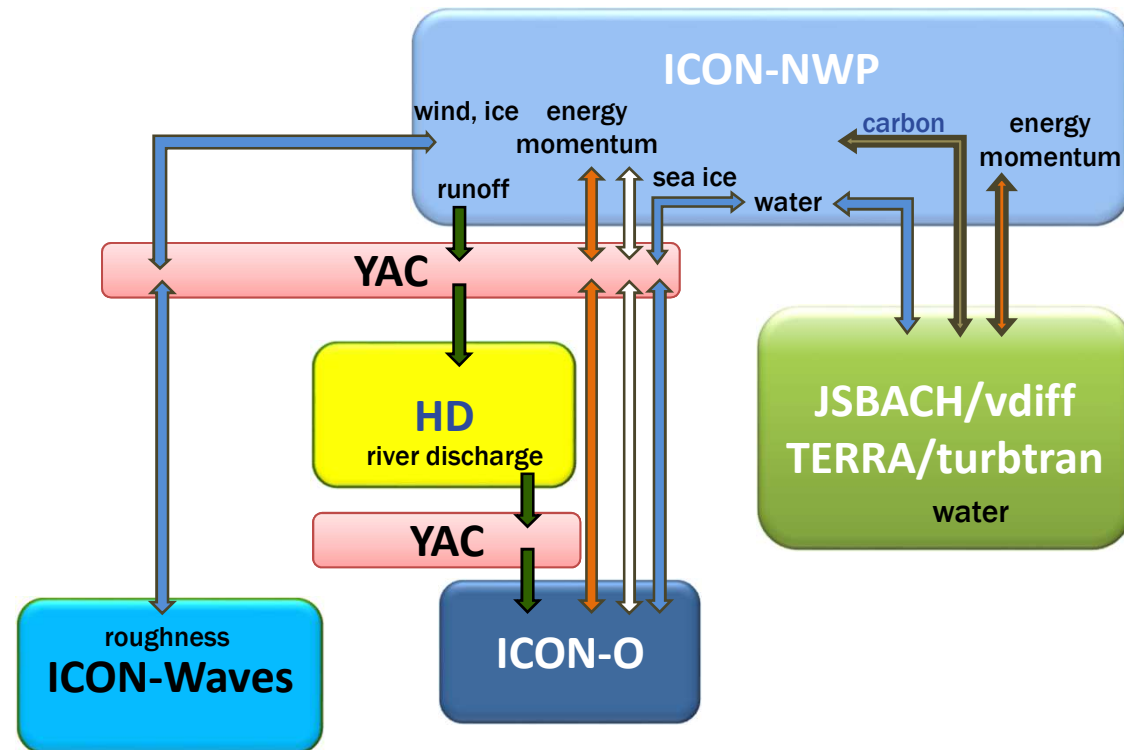


(Reick et al., 2013, 2021
Schulz, J.-P. and G. Vogel, 2020)

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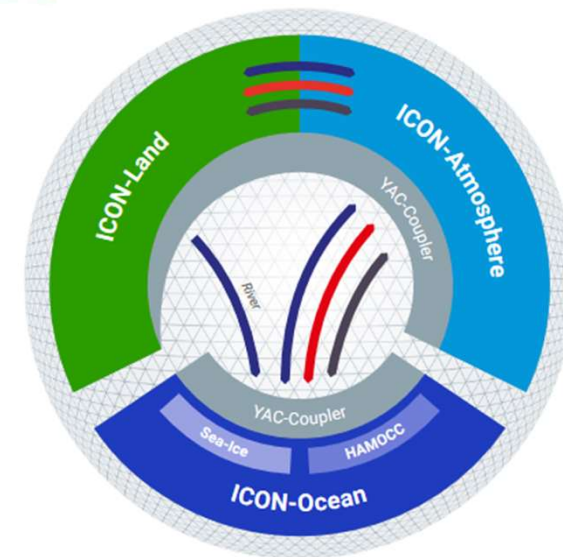
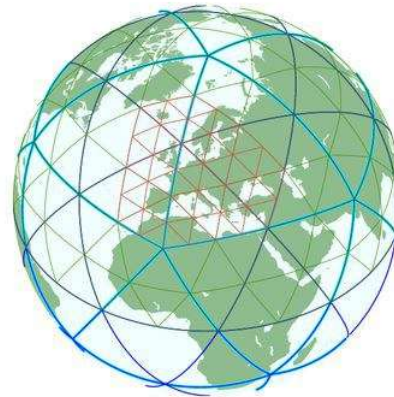
Coupling via YAC:

- ICON-NWP ↔ ICON-O
- ICON-NWP ↔ WAM
- ICON-NWP → HD → ICON-O

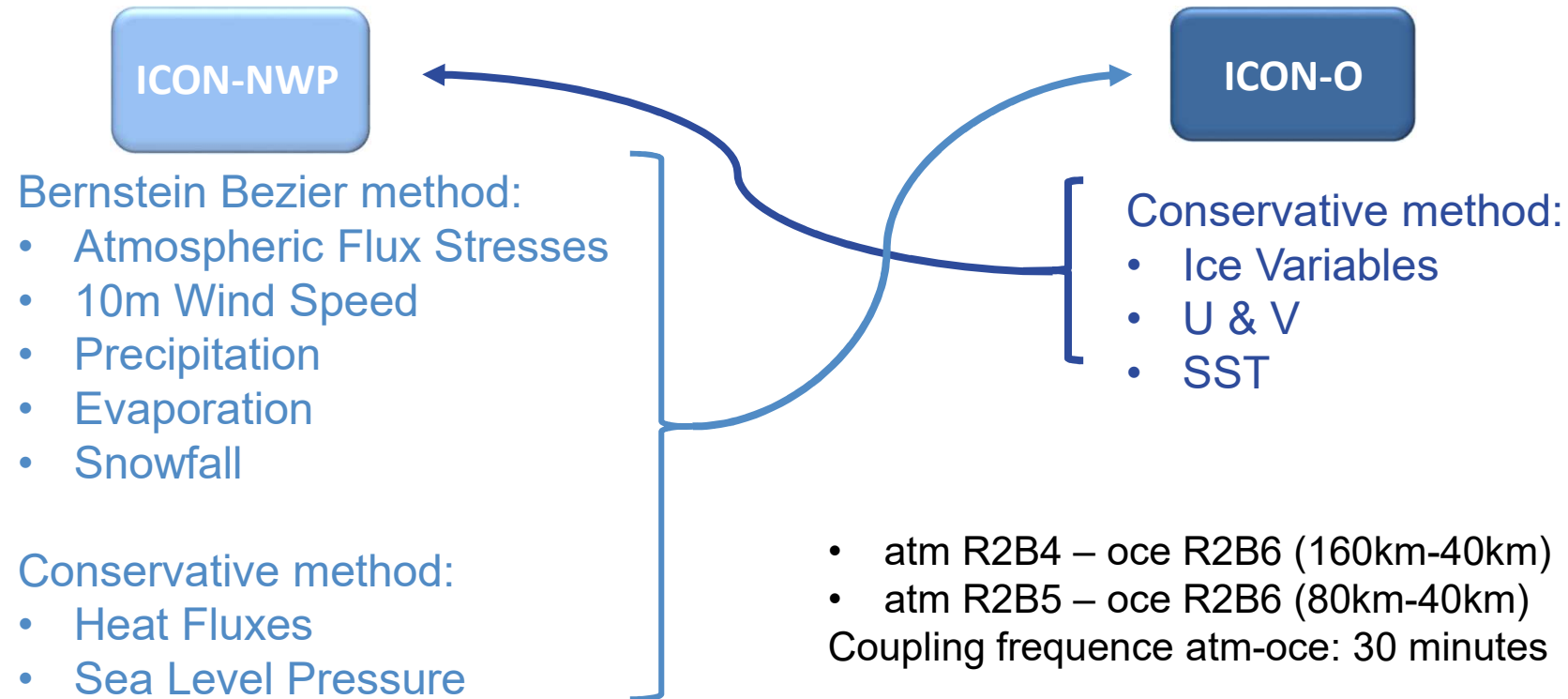


Yet Another Coupler - YAC

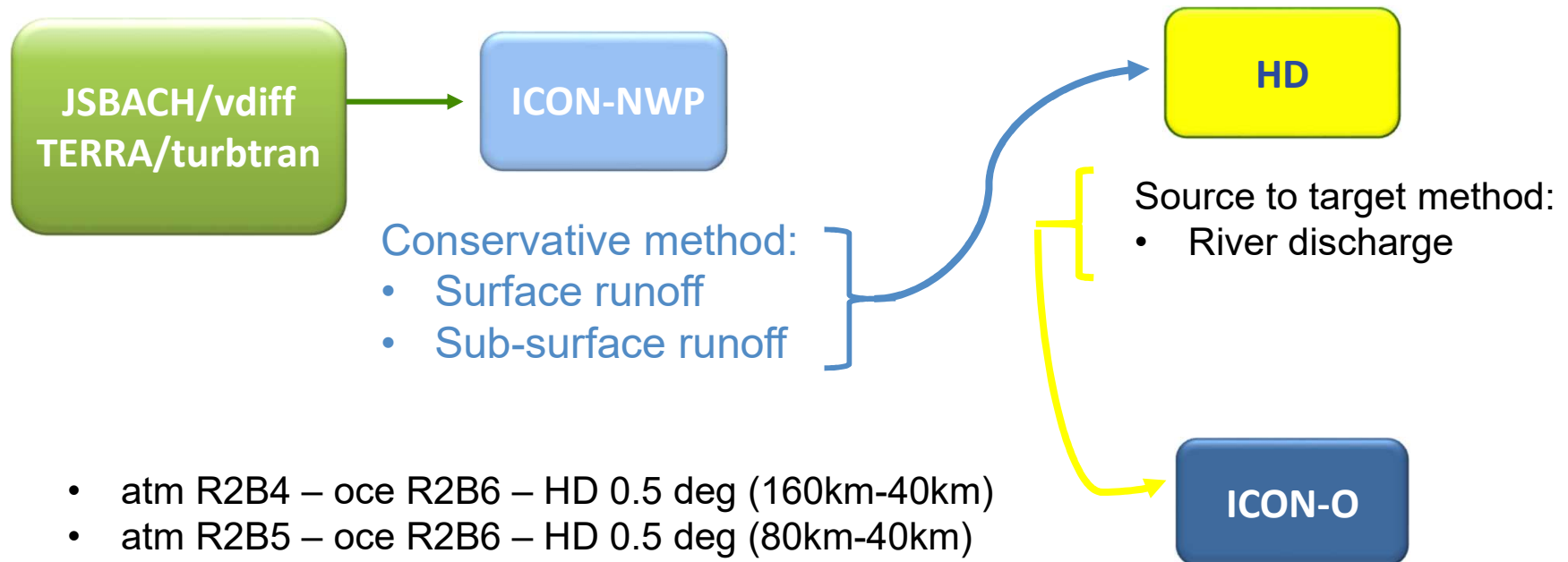
- Multiple interpolation schemes possible, depending on coupled variables
- Variables interpolated
 - ocean ↔ atmosphere: 22
 - Atmosphere-river: 2
 - River-ocean: 1
 - Atmosphere ↔ waves: 4
- Coupling at fixed timesteps
- Couplings can be configured in one single *yaml file



Exchange of Variables: Atmosphere - Ocean



Exchange of Variables: Atm – HD – Ocean



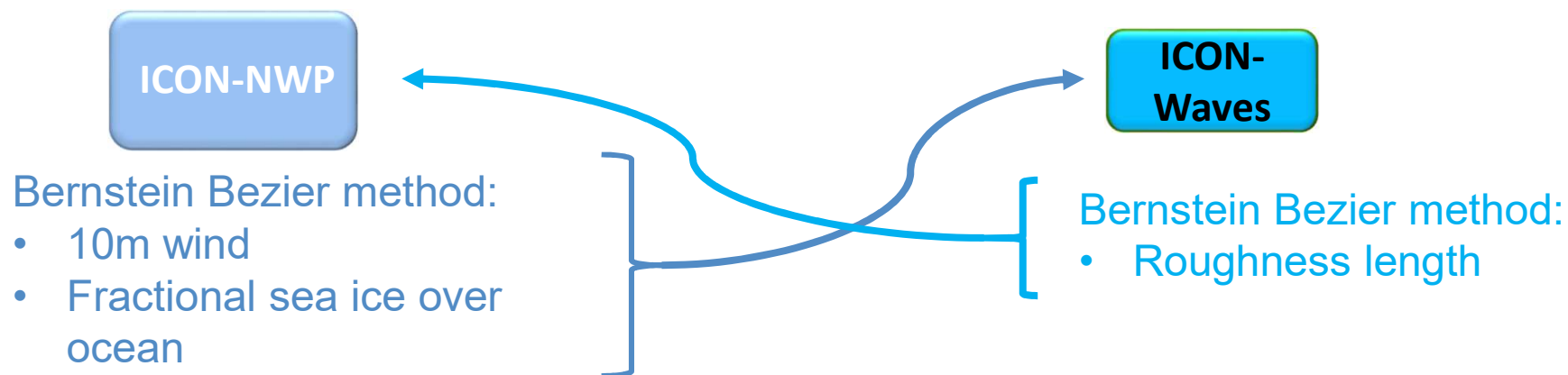
- atm R2B4 – oce R2B6 – HD 0.5 deg (160km-40km)
- atm R2B5 – oce R2B6 – HD 0.5 deg (80km-40km)

Coupling frequency atm-oce: 30 minutes

Coupling frequency atm-hd-oce: 1 day



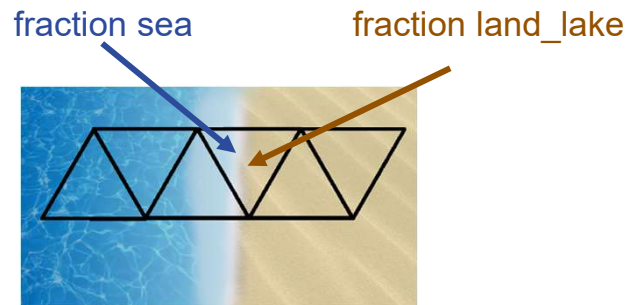
Exchange of Variables: Atmosphere - Wave



atm R2B4 – wave R2B4
Coupling frequency atm-wave: 60 minutes



Coupling masks



Valid for atm-oce coupling:

- atmosphere mask: fraction sea ≥ 0.05 (atm lsm adjusted acc. to ocean lsm)
- ocean mask: open ocean + coast

Valid for atm-hd coupling:

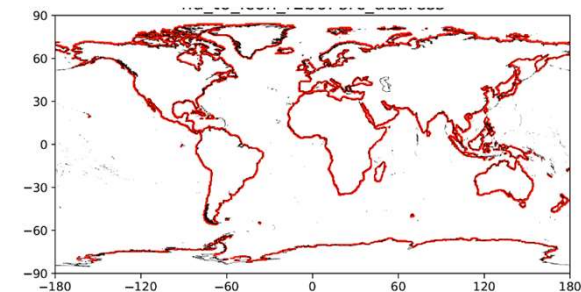
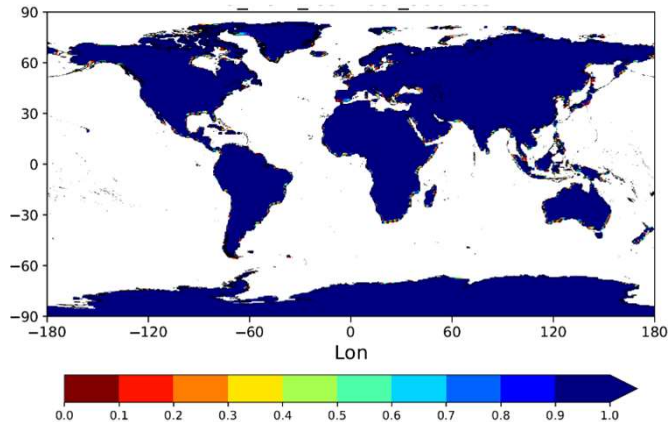
- atmosphere mask: fraction land_lake ≥ 0.05
- HD mask: HD land point (HD lsm adjusted acc. to ICON-NWP lsm)

For HD-oce coupling:

- HD mask: river mouth
- ocean mask: ocean coast

Atm-Waves:

- Atm mask: all icon-nwp cells
- Wave mask: all icon-waves cells (consist only water cells)



Setting up coupling frames

ICON-
NWP

atm_coupling/mo_atmo_coupling_frame
atm_coupling/mo_atmo_wave_coupling_frame

yac_fdef_comp : inform YAC component
name/id

yac_fdef_grid : register component grid

yac_fdef_points : define center points in cells

yac_fset_global_index: set global id for grid cells

*yac_fset_core_mask : If local field data contains
halo cells which do not contain valid data*

ICON-
Waves

waves/coupling/mo_wave_coupling_frame

yac_fdef_mask : define coupling mask

yac_fdef_field_mask : fields are linked to masks

HD

externals/hd/.../mo_coupling_hd

yac_fenddef : End definition of coupling
fields and compute weights



Coupling interfaces

ICON-NWP

atm_phy_nwp/mo_nwp_ocean_interface
lnd_phy_nwp/mo_nwp_hydrodisc_interface
atm_coupling/mo_atmo_wave_coupling

Interfaces = where the coupled fields are exchanged

yac_fput: send field to YAC

yac_fget: get field from YAC

ICON-O

ocean/coupling/mo_ocean_coupling.f90
(interface with ICON-NWP and HD)

One call for each field or bundled field

ICON-Waves

waves/coupling/mo_wave_atmo_coupling

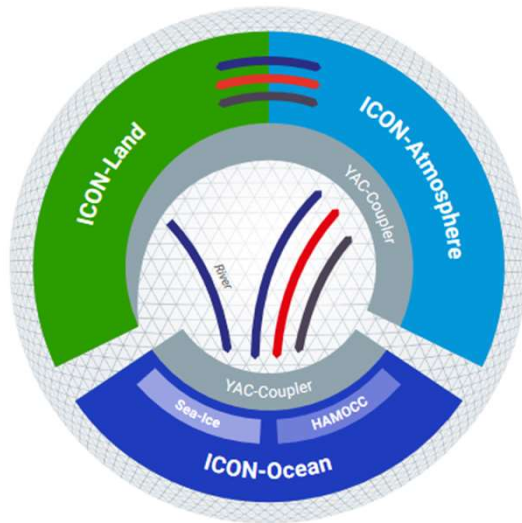
Called every coupling timestep

HD

externals/hd/.../mo_coupling_hd
(interface with ICON-NWP and ICON-O)



ICON coupled in regional configurations



Work in progress:

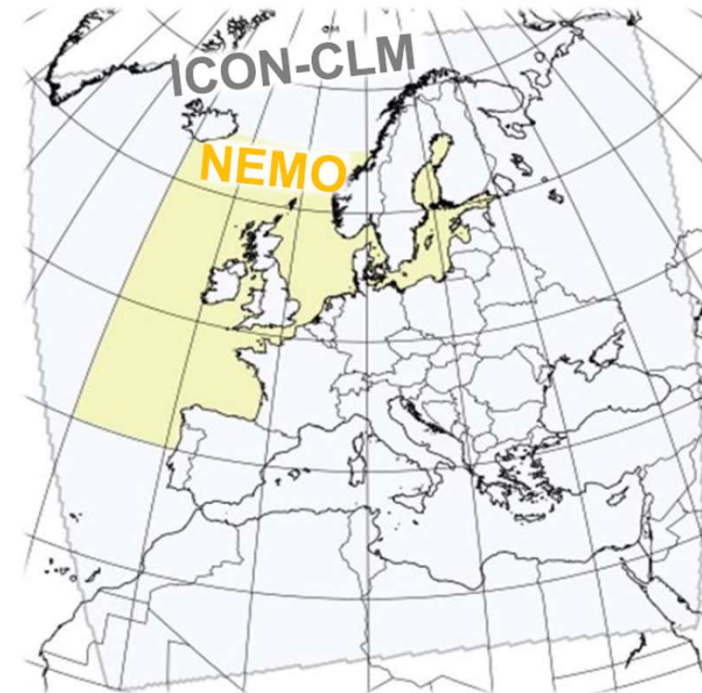
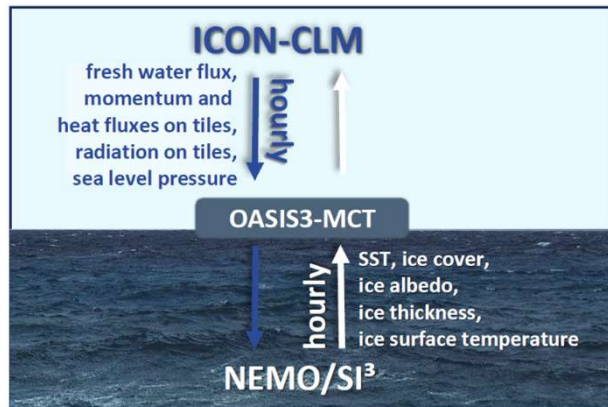
- **ICON-LAM / ICON-O-LAM + ICON-O-Zoom** (global grid with local refinements) + **ICON-Wave-LAM**
 - ESM-W: „Earth System Modelling at the Weather scale“
 - DWD project in cooperation with GeolInfoDienst Bundeswehr (2022-2030)
 - **Focus:** weather forecasting lengths between 0-10 days

Work in plan:

- **ICON-CLM / ICON-O-LAM / HD**
 - Helmholtz-Zentrum Hereon
 - Focus: long-term climate, perspective with nutrition transport in HD



ICON coupled in regional configurations



ICON-CLM /NEMO coupled via OASIS3-MCT
Configuration for Europe:

- ICON-CLM: 12km (R13B5), EU-Cordex
- NEMO: ~3.6 km, North/Baltic Seas
- Land model Terra

Vera Maurer (DWD)

