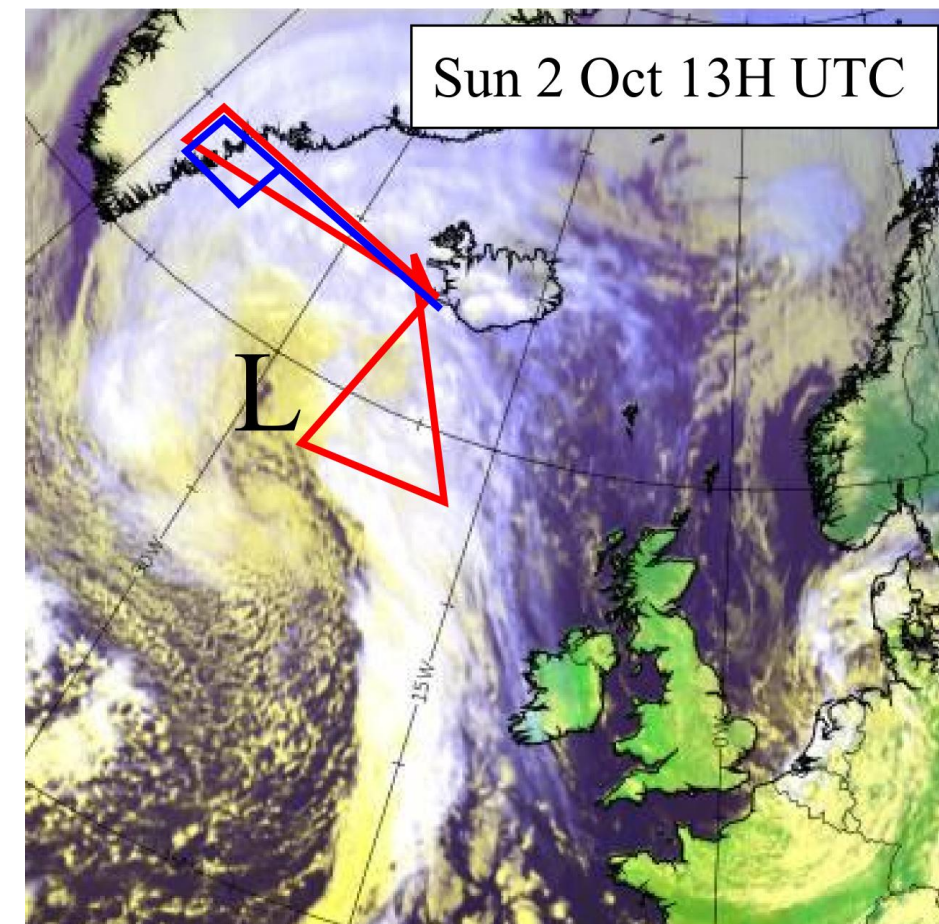


# Representation of the Stalactite Cyclone in LMDZ and ARPEGE- Climat

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# Transpose AMIP experiments

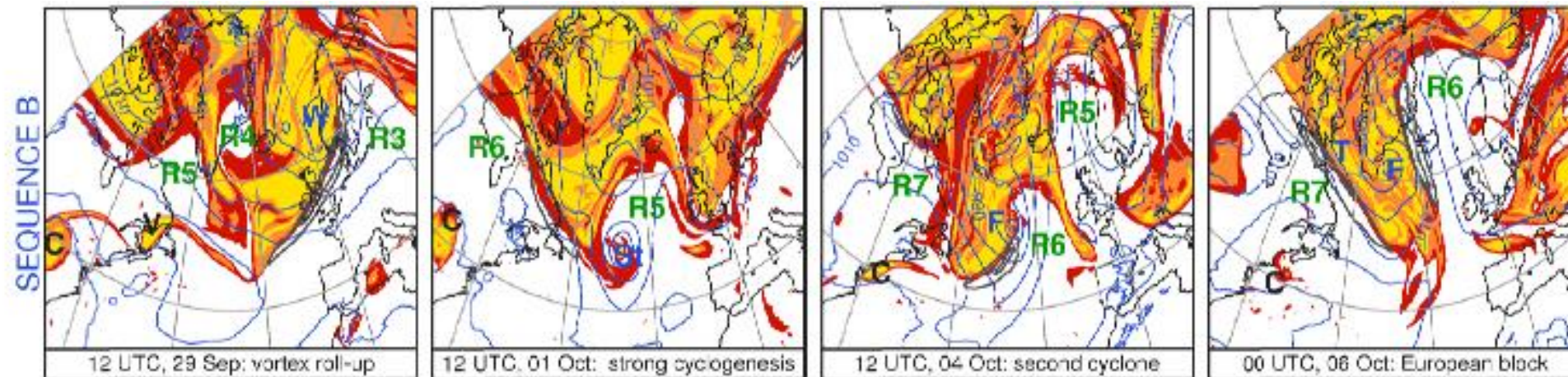
- We need climate models to be able to accurately depict current cyclones to be able to determine future cyclones with any confidence
- One method to help ‘diagnose’ problems with parametrizations in climate models is Transpose – AMIP style experiments
  - Run a climate model in “weather forecasting” mode (i.e. run it out for 10—15 days) and compare short-term biases with long-term biases in the ‘fast’ physics variables (Williams et al., 2013).

# Project Aims

- Determine the relative role of diabatic and dynamical processes in the development of extra-tropical cyclones in climate models
- Determine the importance of cyclones for ridge formation and maintenance in climate models
  - Use 2 climate models (IPSL and CNRM)
  - Use observations from NAWDEX field campaign

# The Stalactite Cyclone: Key Characteristics

- 2 stages of intensification
  - Initial cyclogenesis: small-scale vortex roll-up
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> deepening stage: Interaction with large-scale upper-level trough
- Steepest decline 24.4 hPa in 24h
- Important for the setup of the Scandinavian blocking event that followed



# Models

## **LMDZ**

- 1.1 degree resolution
- Hindcasts initiated at 0000 UTC on 29 Sept and 2 Oct
- Initialised from ECMWF analysis
- Length: 10 days

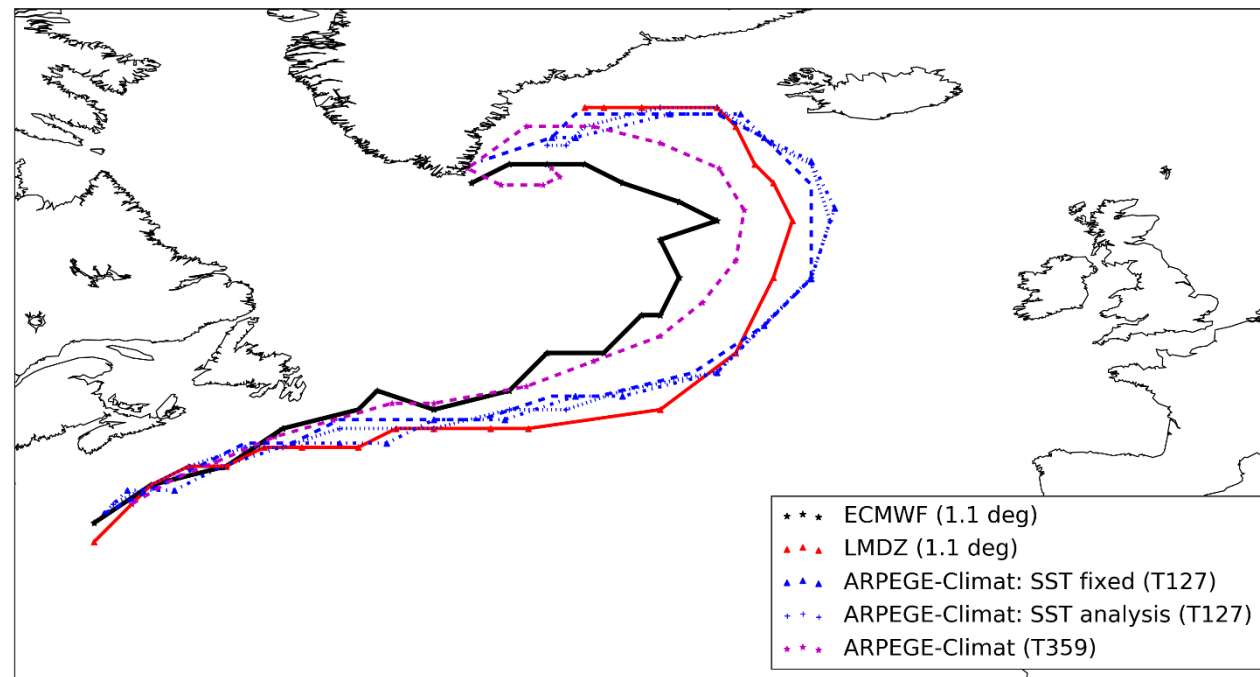
Both models used are  
setup as for CMIP6

## **ARPEGE-Climat**

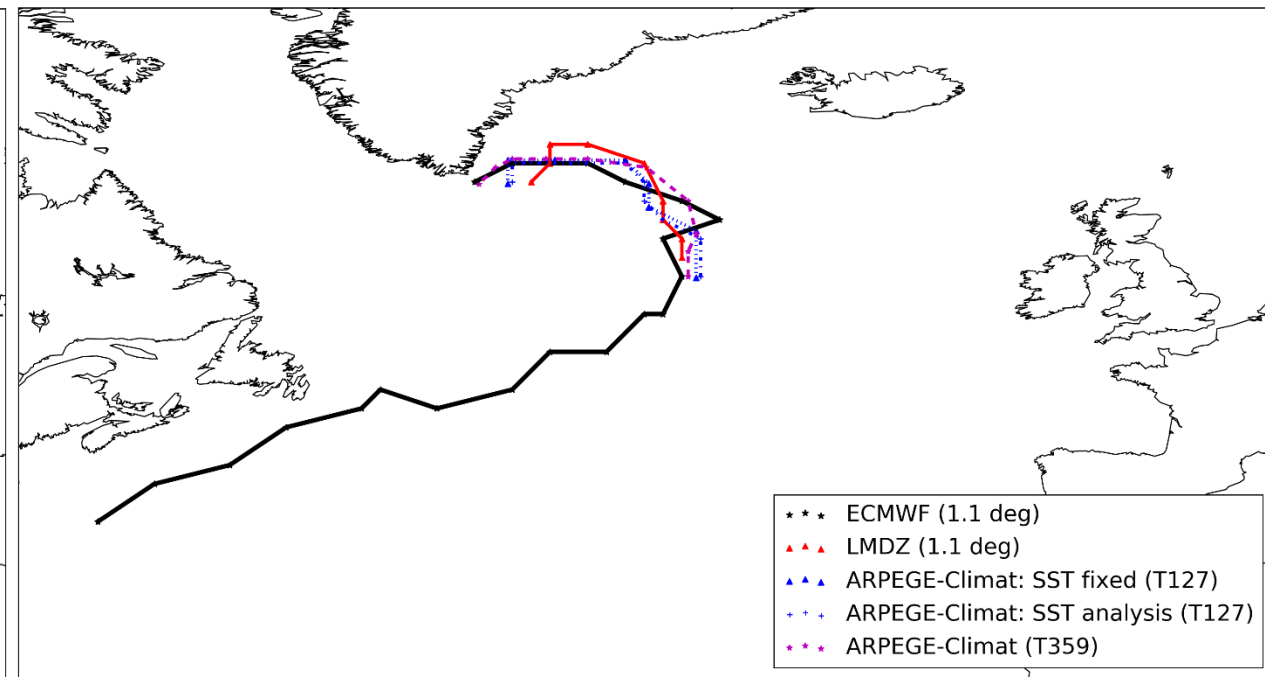
- T127 ~1.4 degree
- T359 ~0.5 degree
- Hindcasts initiated at 0000 UTC on 29 Sept and 2 Oct
- Initialised from ECMWF analysis and ARPEGE analysis
- Length: 10 days

# Cyclone Track

Initialised at 0000 UTC 29 September 2016

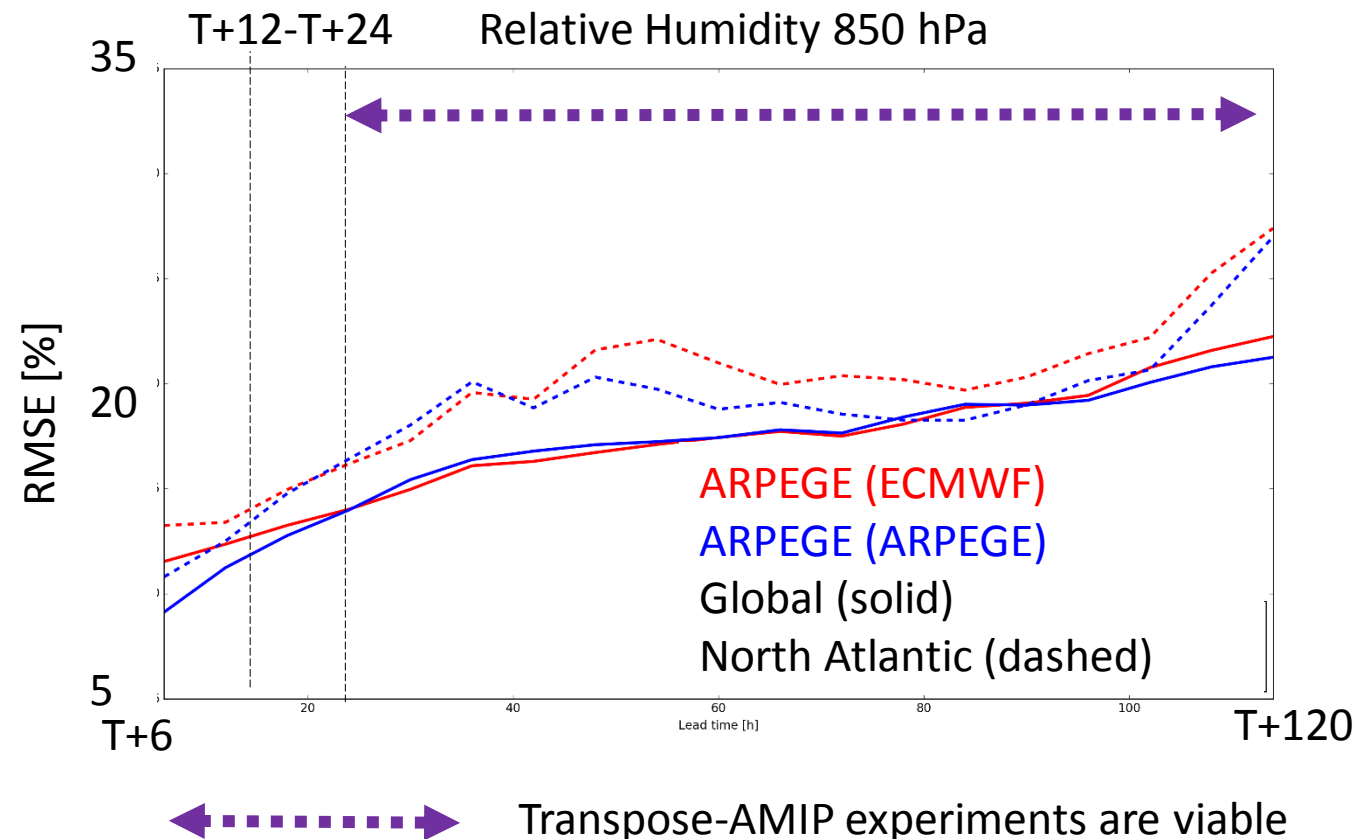
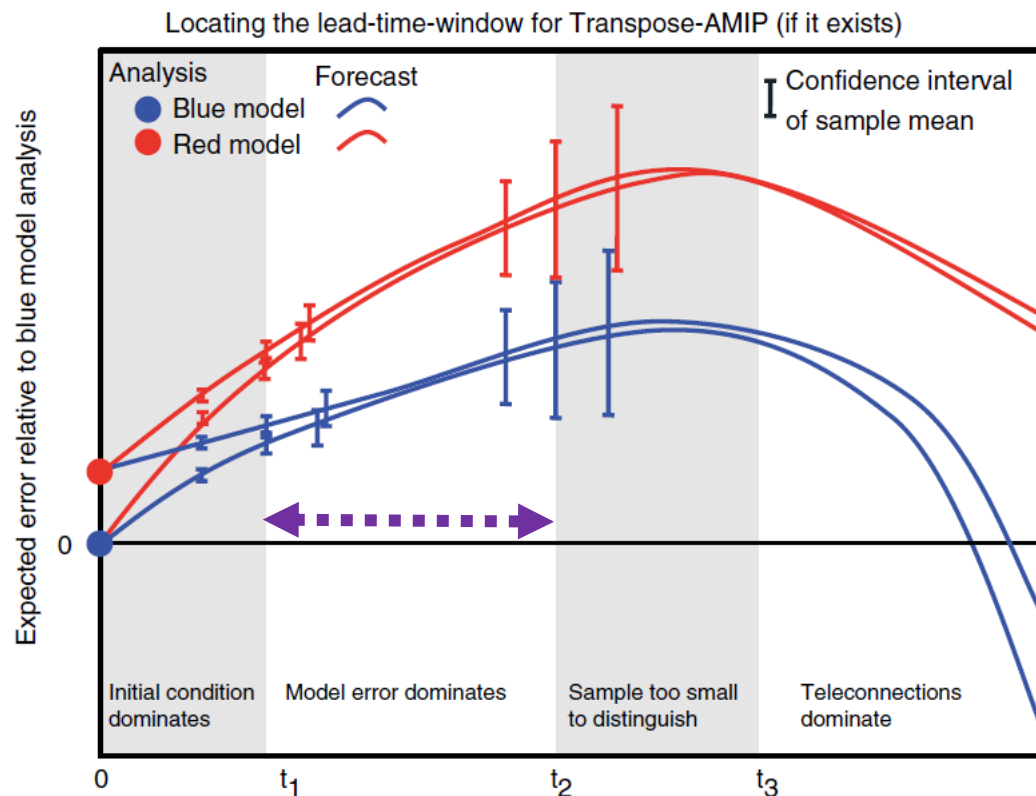


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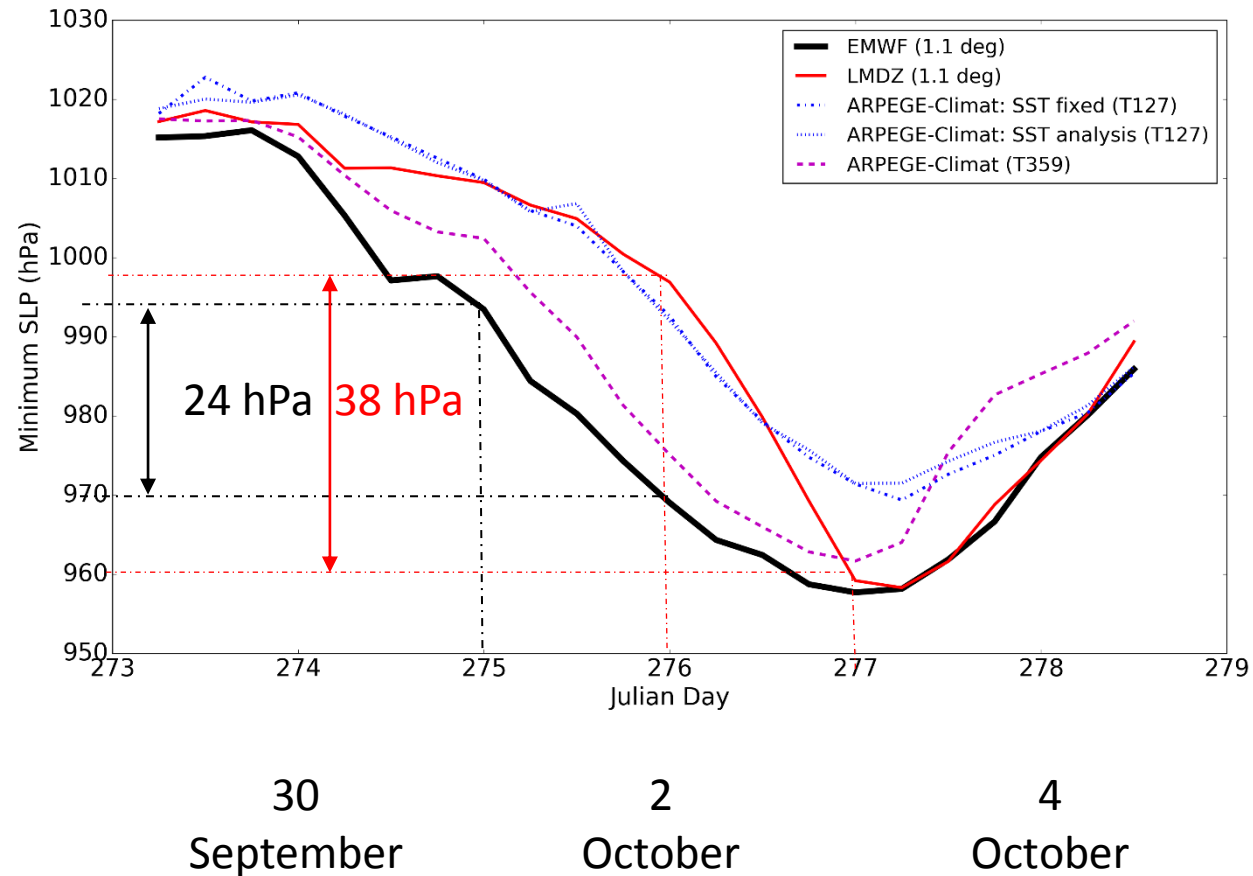
# Initial Shock: The Theory

- Models initiated with a non-native initial set-up will take a while to adjust back to their own trajectory

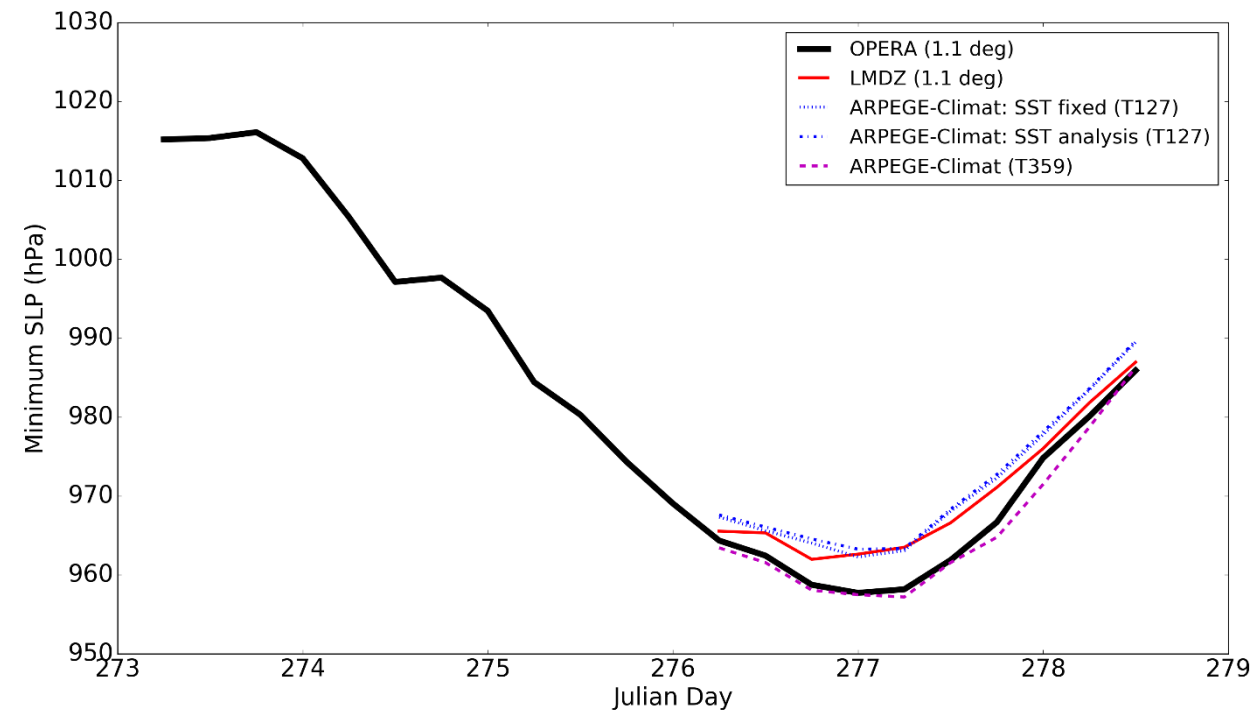


# Cyclone Depth

Initialised at 0000 UTC 29 September 2016



Initialised at 0000 UTC 2 October 2016



# Cyclone Development: 29 September hindcast

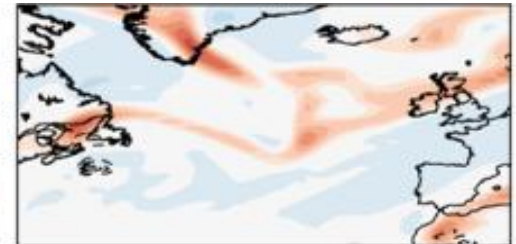
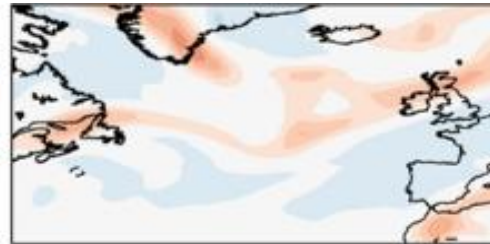
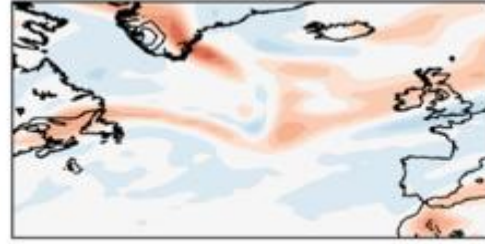
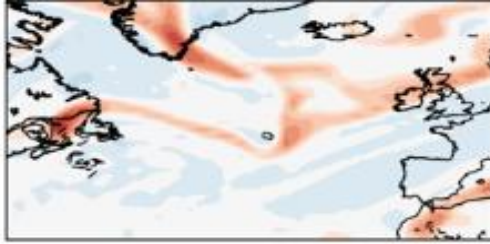
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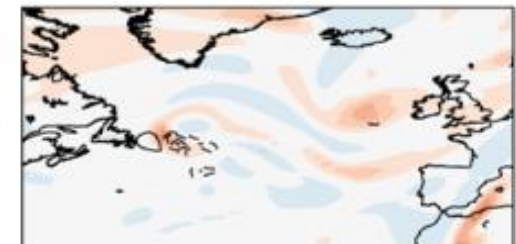
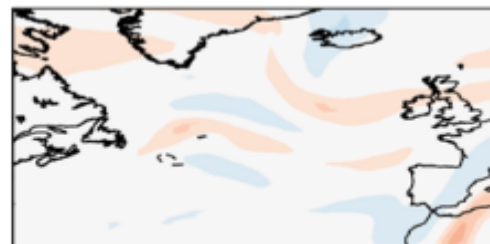
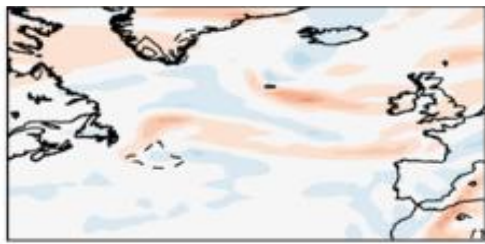
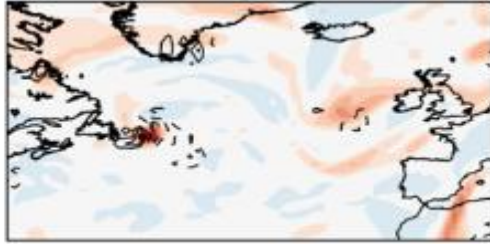
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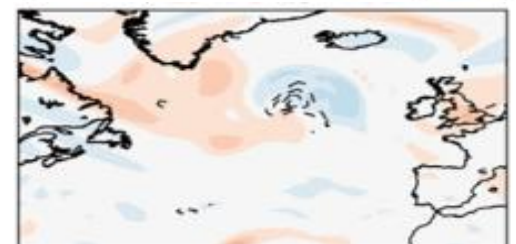
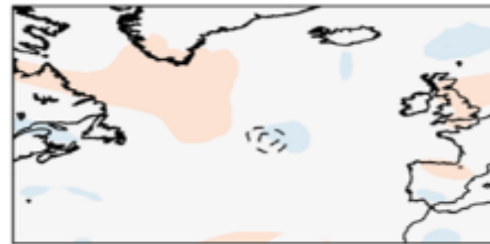
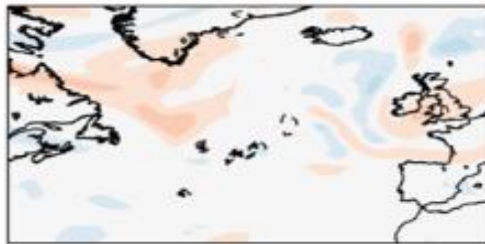
T+12



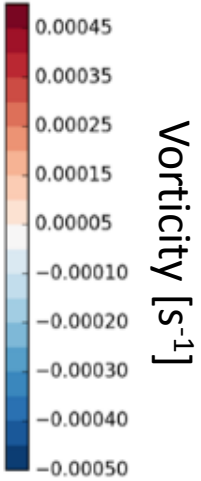
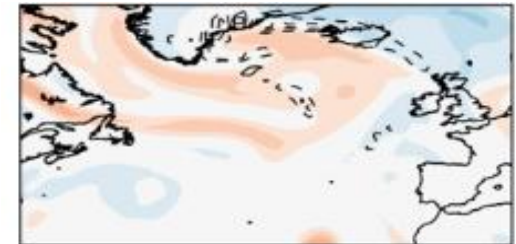
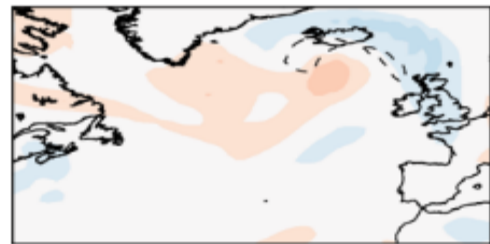
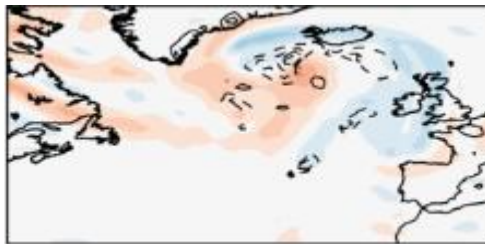
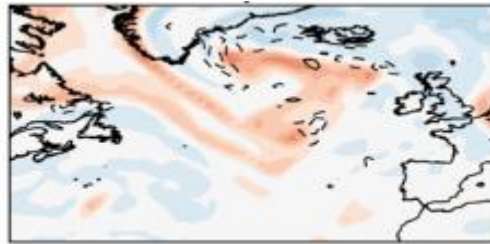
T+36



T+66



T+96



# $\omega$ -equation budget

$$\sigma \nabla^2 \omega + f_0 \frac{\partial^2 \omega}{\partial p^2} = -\frac{R}{p} (\nabla^2 (-\vec{u}_g \cdot T) + \nabla^2 J) - f_0 \frac{\partial}{\partial p} (-\vec{u}_g \cdot \nabla (\xi_g + f))$$

Writing in the form of Q vectors and diabatic terms

$$\sigma \nabla^2 \omega + f_0 \frac{\partial^2 \omega}{\partial p^2} = \underbrace{-2 \nabla \cdot \vec{Q}}_{\text{Dynamical contribution}} - \underbrace{\frac{R}{p} \left( \nabla^2 \left( \frac{\partial T}{\partial t} \Big|_{mp} \right) \right)}_{\text{Diabatic contribution from the model physics tendencies microphysics, convection, radiation, turbulence, drag}} - \cancel{f_0 \frac{\partial}{\partial p} \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( \frac{\partial v}{\partial t} \Big|_{mp} \right) - \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left( \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} \Big|_{mp} \right) \right)}_{\text{Neglected as 10 times smaller than other terms}}$$

where

$$\vec{Q} = -\frac{R}{p} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial \vec{v}_g}{\partial x} \cdot \nabla T \\ \frac{\partial \vec{v}_g}{\partial y} \cdot \nabla T \end{pmatrix}$$

Diabatic contribution from the model physics tendencies  
microphysics, convection, radiation, turbulence, drag

# Baroclinic Conversion

Inverting the omega-equation leads to the vertical motion being split into a dynamic and diabatic component:

$$\omega = \omega_{dynamic} + \omega_{diabatic}$$

The diabatic component can then be split into the components from each of the model parametrizations:

$$\omega_{diabatic} = \omega_{conv} + \omega_{ls\ cond\ heat} + \omega_{rad} + \omega_{turb}$$

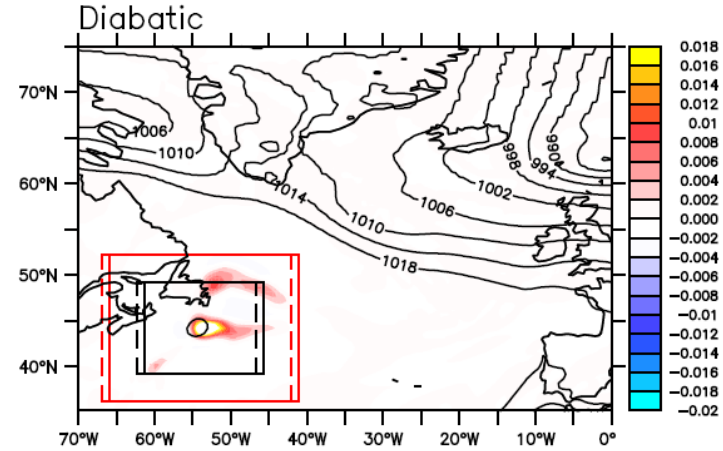
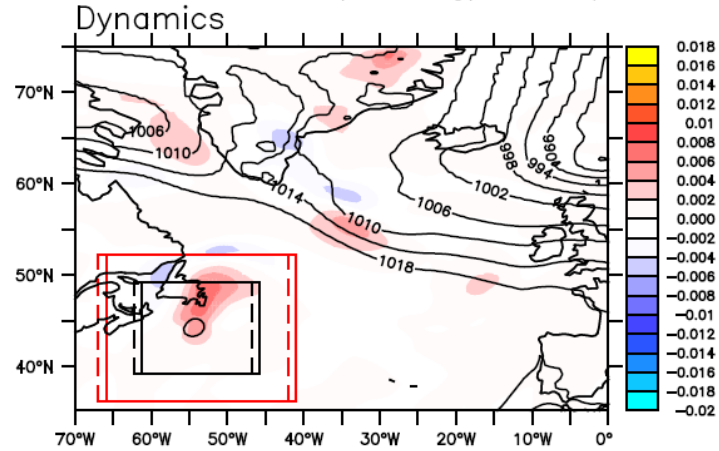
These values can be used to calculate the components contribution towards the baroclinic conversion:

$$-\omega' \theta' = -\omega'_{dyn} \theta' - \omega'_{dia} \theta'$$

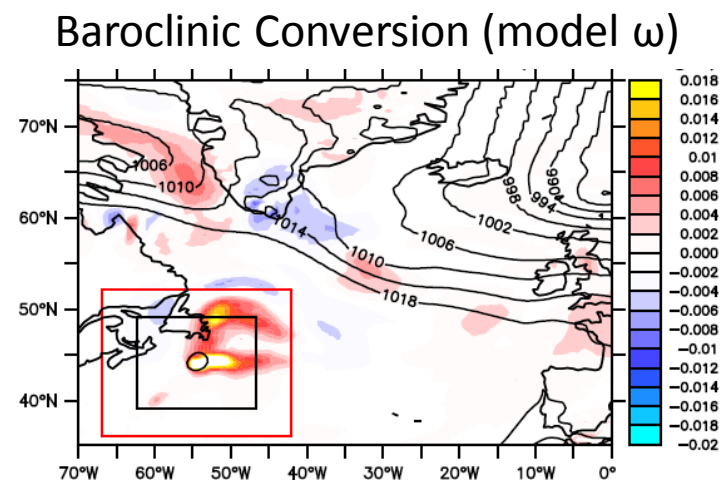
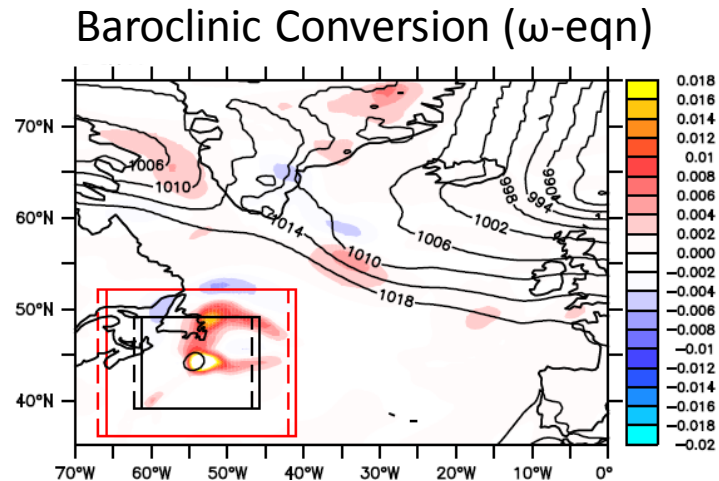
# Initial development: 30 September 00 UTC

Baroclinic conversion (shading), PSL (contours), 30-SEP-2016 00,  $z=30000:80000\text{Pa}$

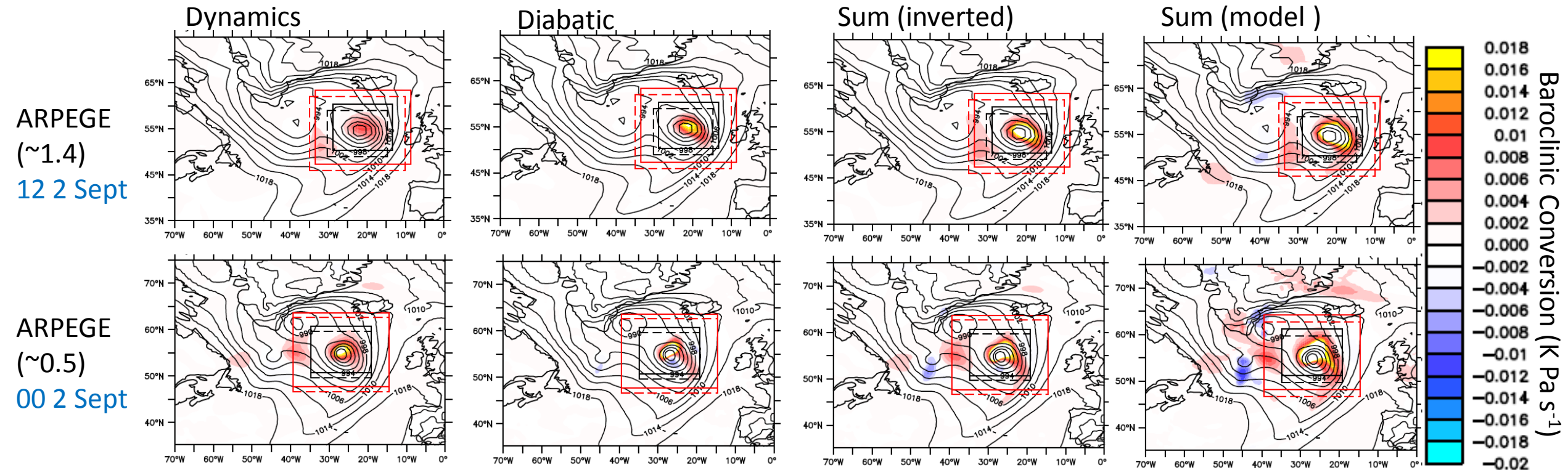
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(~0.5)



Baroclinic Conversion ( $\text{K Pa s}^{-1}$ )

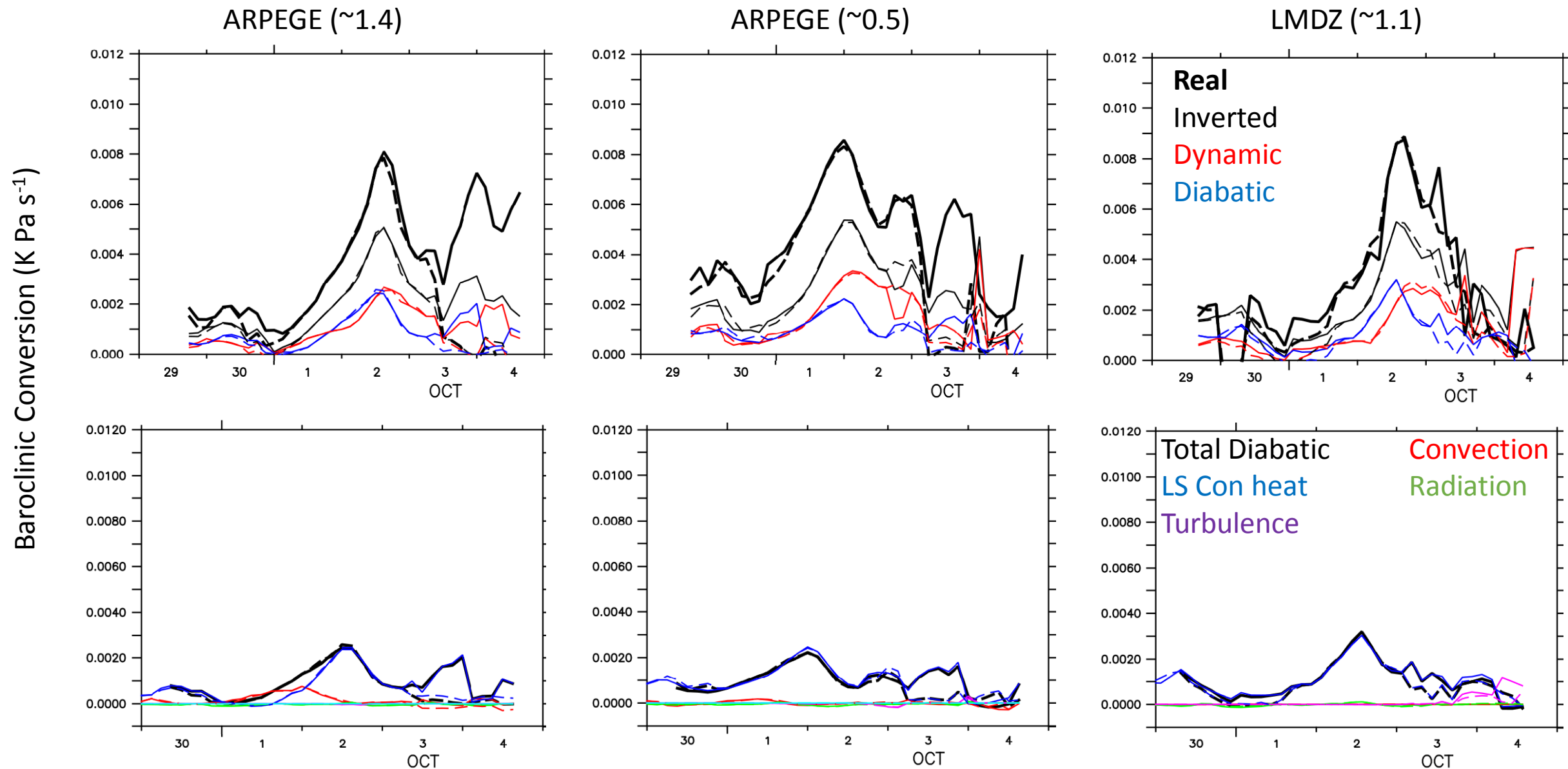


# Maximum intensification



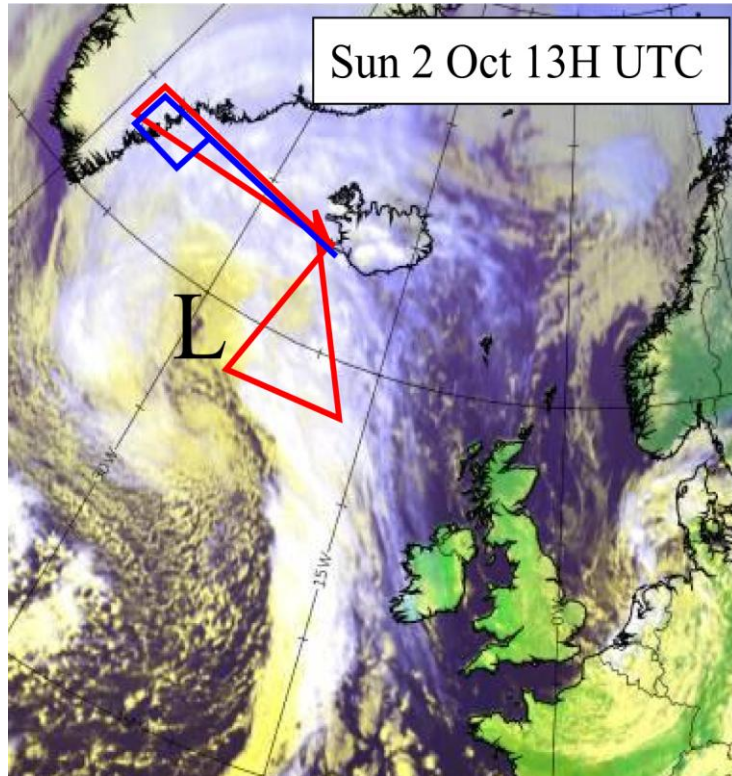
# Average Baroclinic Conversion between 850 and 300 hPa

Dashed = PSL min  
Solid = BC max

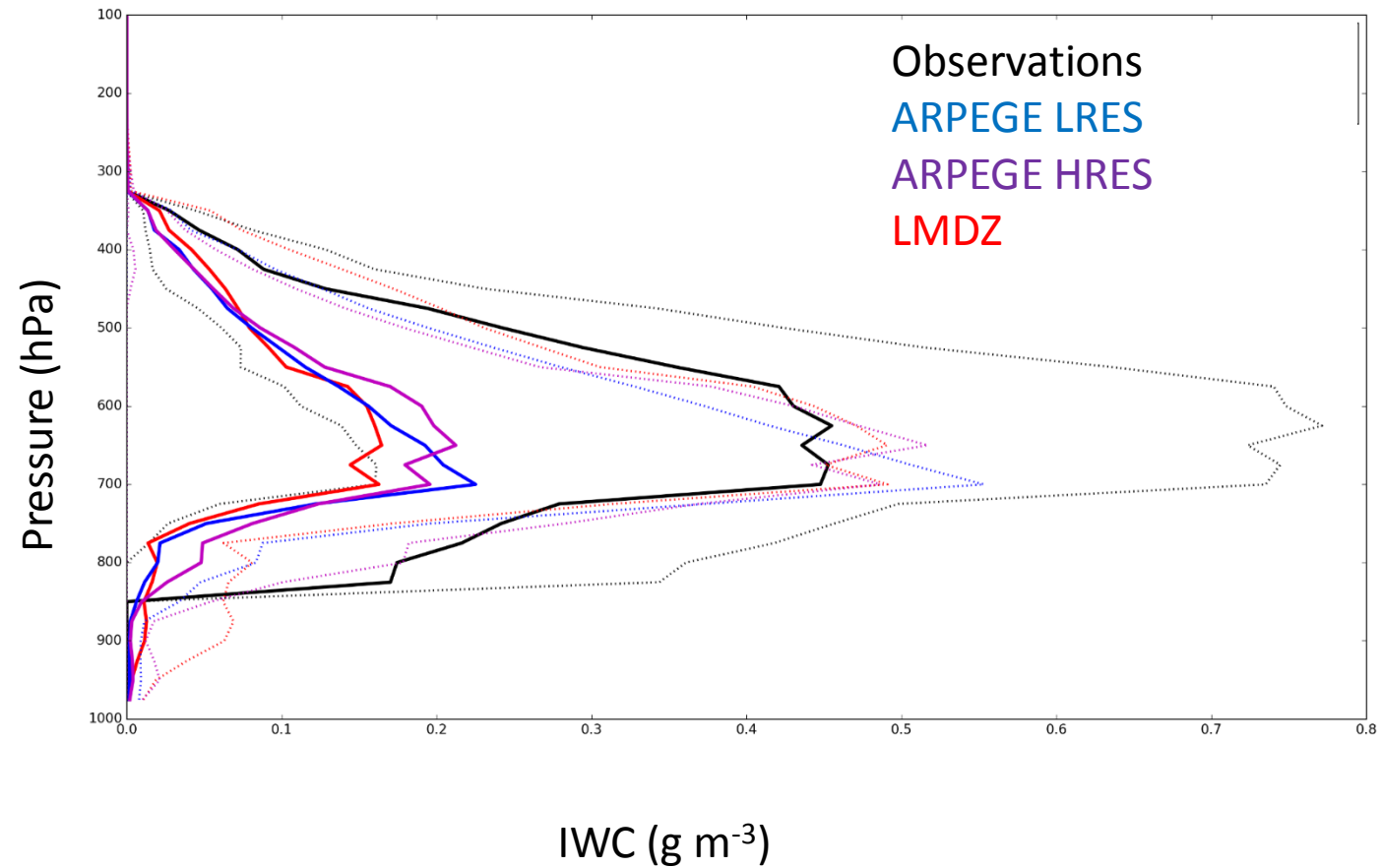
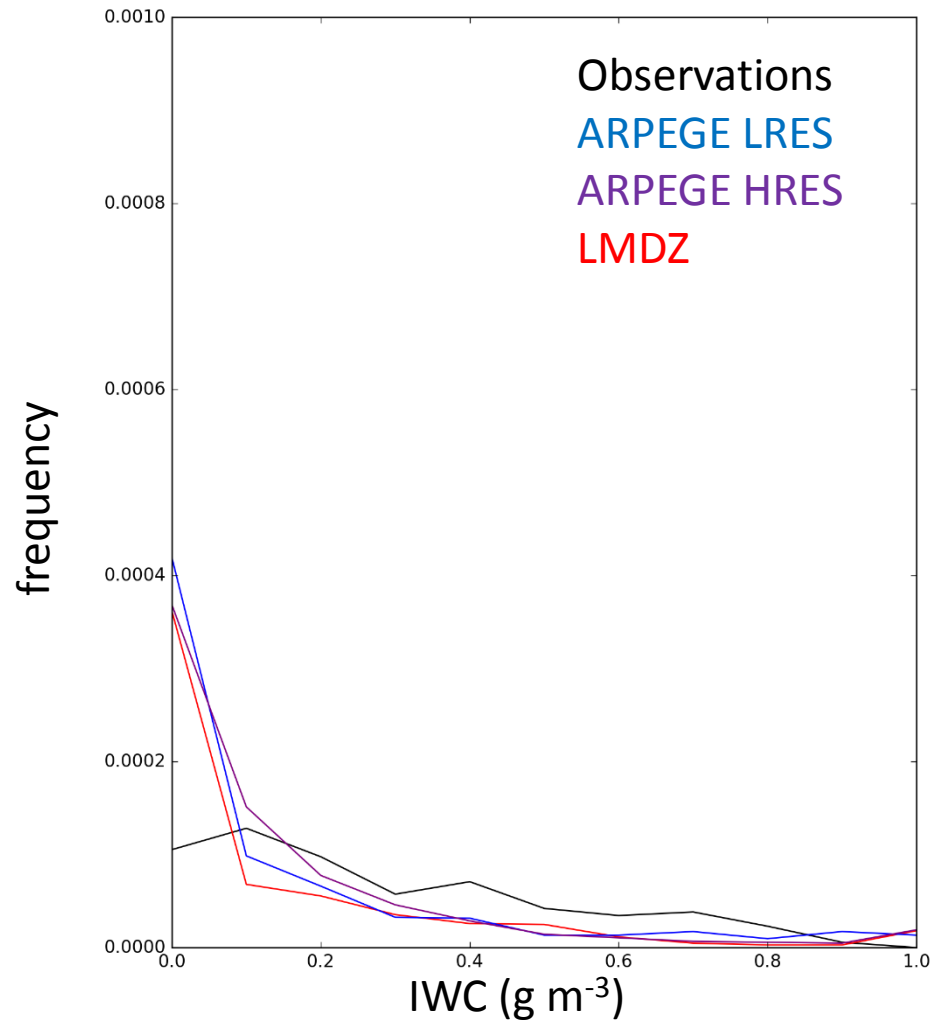


# Observations

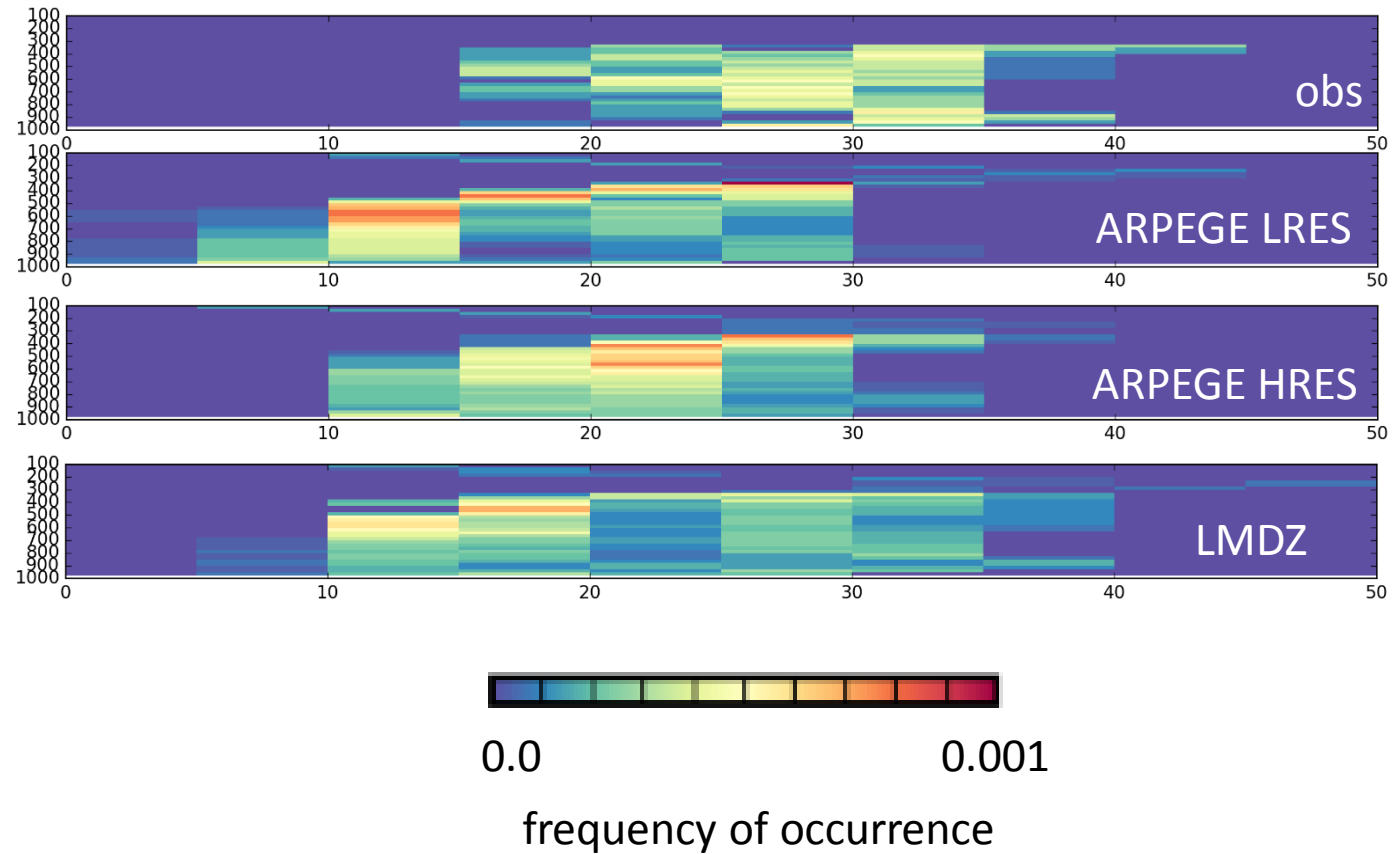
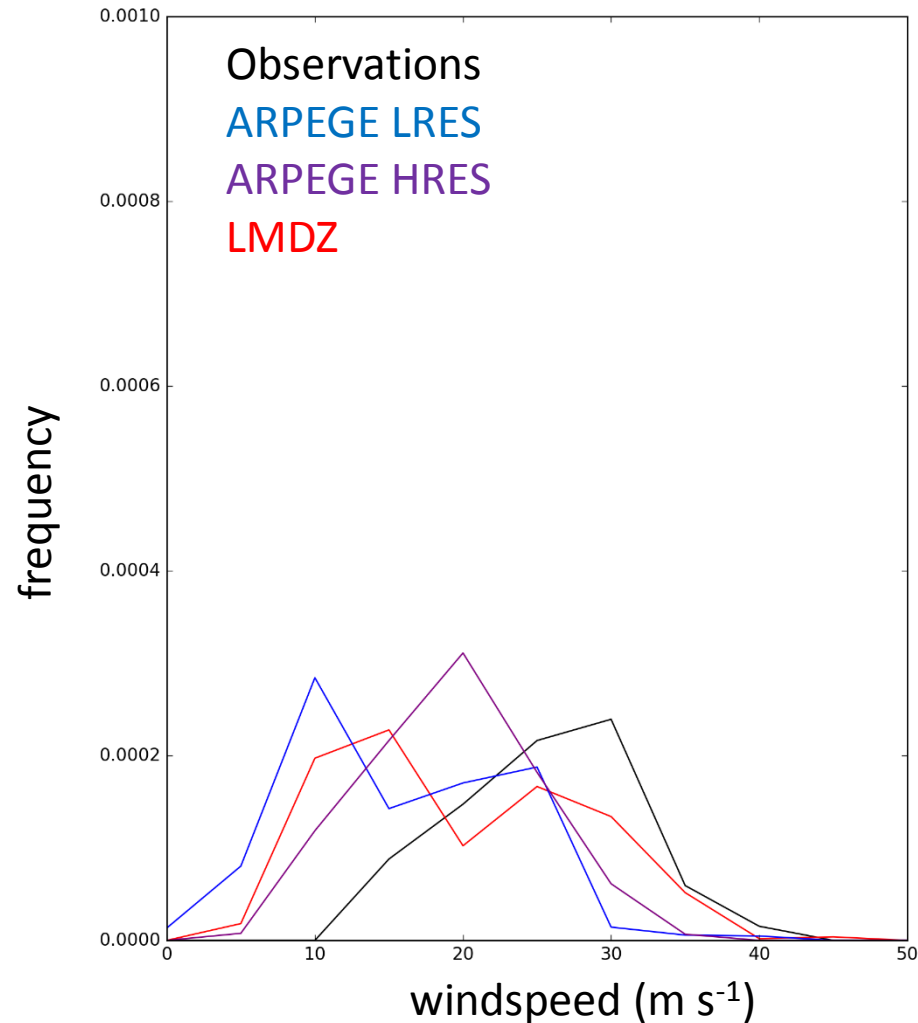
- Flight 7 – IWC content and retrieved wind speed



# Ice Water Content Flight 7: 29 September hindcast



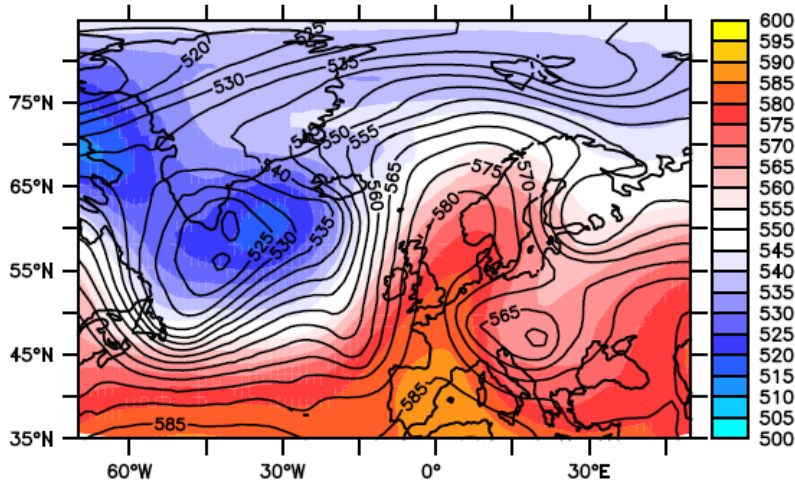
# Windspeed Flight 7: 29 September hindcast



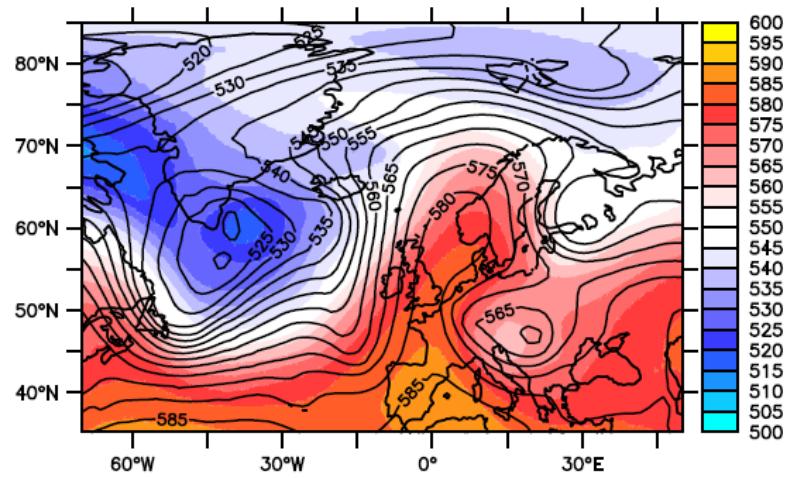
# Impact on the ridge development

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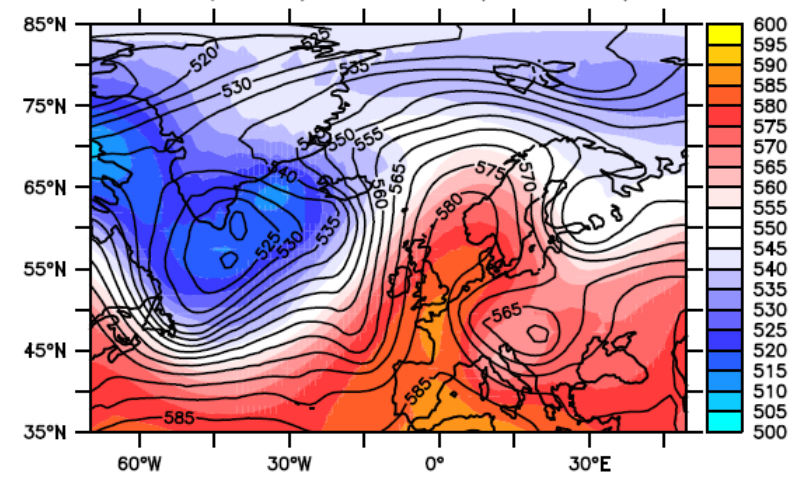
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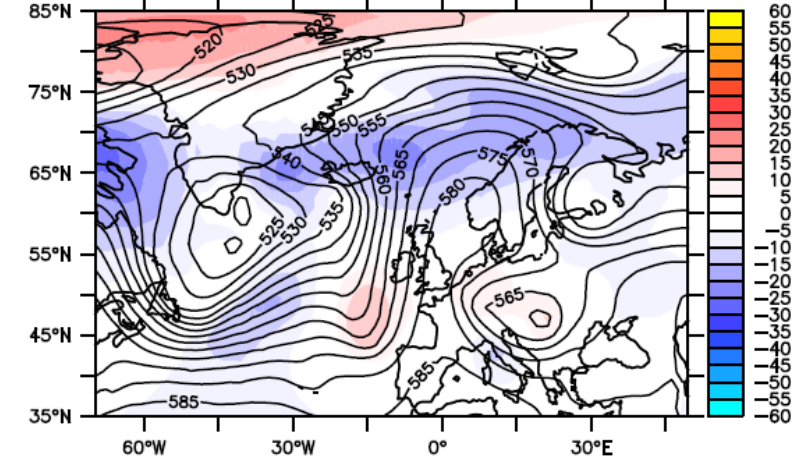
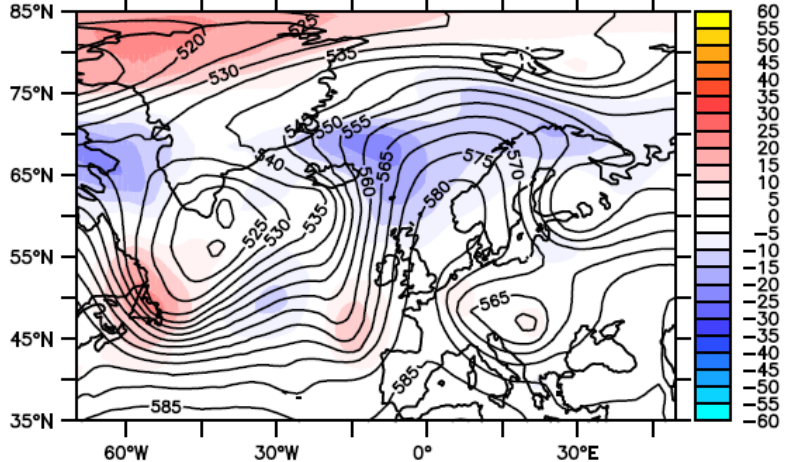
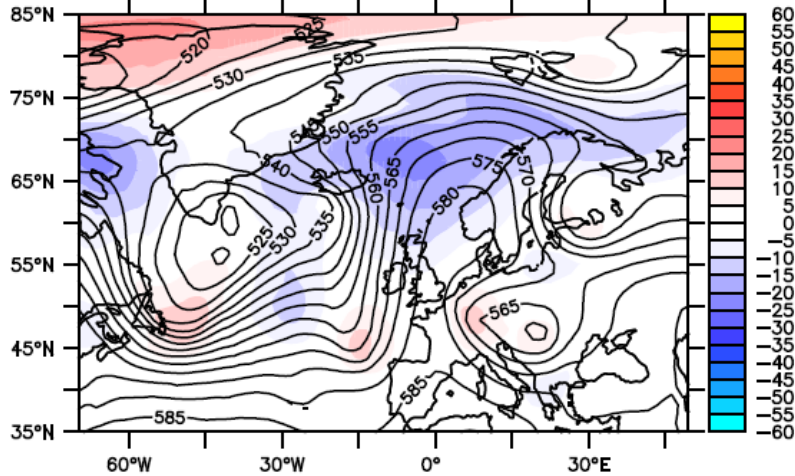
ARPEGE HRES (filled) ECMWF (contour)



LMDZ (filled) ECMWF (contour)



Geopotential height (dam)



Model – ECMWF (solid) ECMWF (contour)

# Ridge development

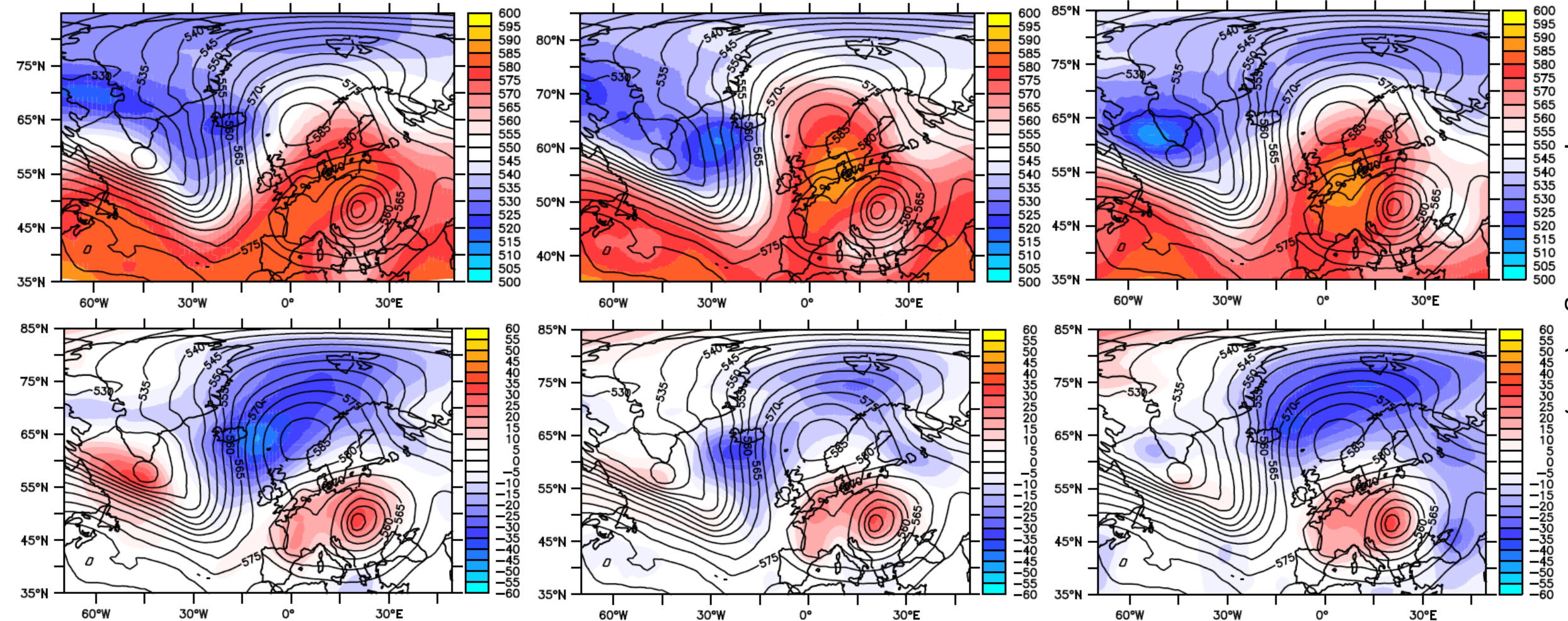
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ARPEGE LRES (filled) ECMWF (contour)

ARPEGE HRES (filled) ECMWF (contour)

LMDZ (filled) ECMWF (contour)

Geopotential height (dam)



Model – ECMWF (solid) ECMWF (contour)

# Summary

- Stalactite Cyclone
  - **HRES closer to analysis for development** (including timing)
  - **In all diabatic influence are similar to or slightly above dynamical processes before maximum deepening and dynamic processes dominate after (more so at HRES)**
  - **Diabatic processes are dominated by large-scale condensational heating** for all simulations (although convection important towards beginning for LRES)
  - There is no change in the average magnitude of diabatic influence on the cyclone development with resolution, unlike Willison et al. (2013) and Trzeciak et al. (2016).
  - Vertical structure improves with resolution compared to observations
  - Model distributions of windspeed and ice water content is shifted to lower values compared to observations
- Blocking
  - Too far S in all
  - **Improvement in representation with increase in resolution**

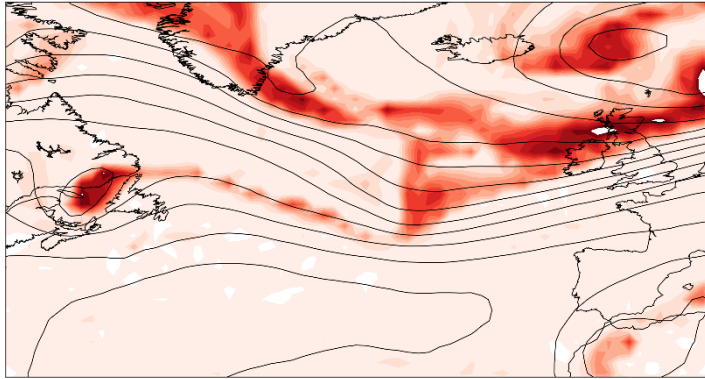
# Future Work

- Look at higher and lower resolution LMDZ runs
- Look more into the ridge development
- Check consistency with the Frontal Wave Cyclone
  - Indications are results are consistent with Stalactite Cyclone
- See impact on ridge maintenance
  - Ridge appears to dissipate faster in HRES run
- Check results based on lead time

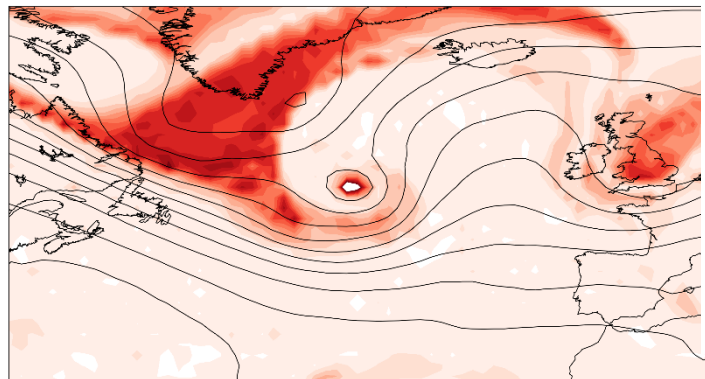
Extra Slides if required

# The Stalactite Cyclone

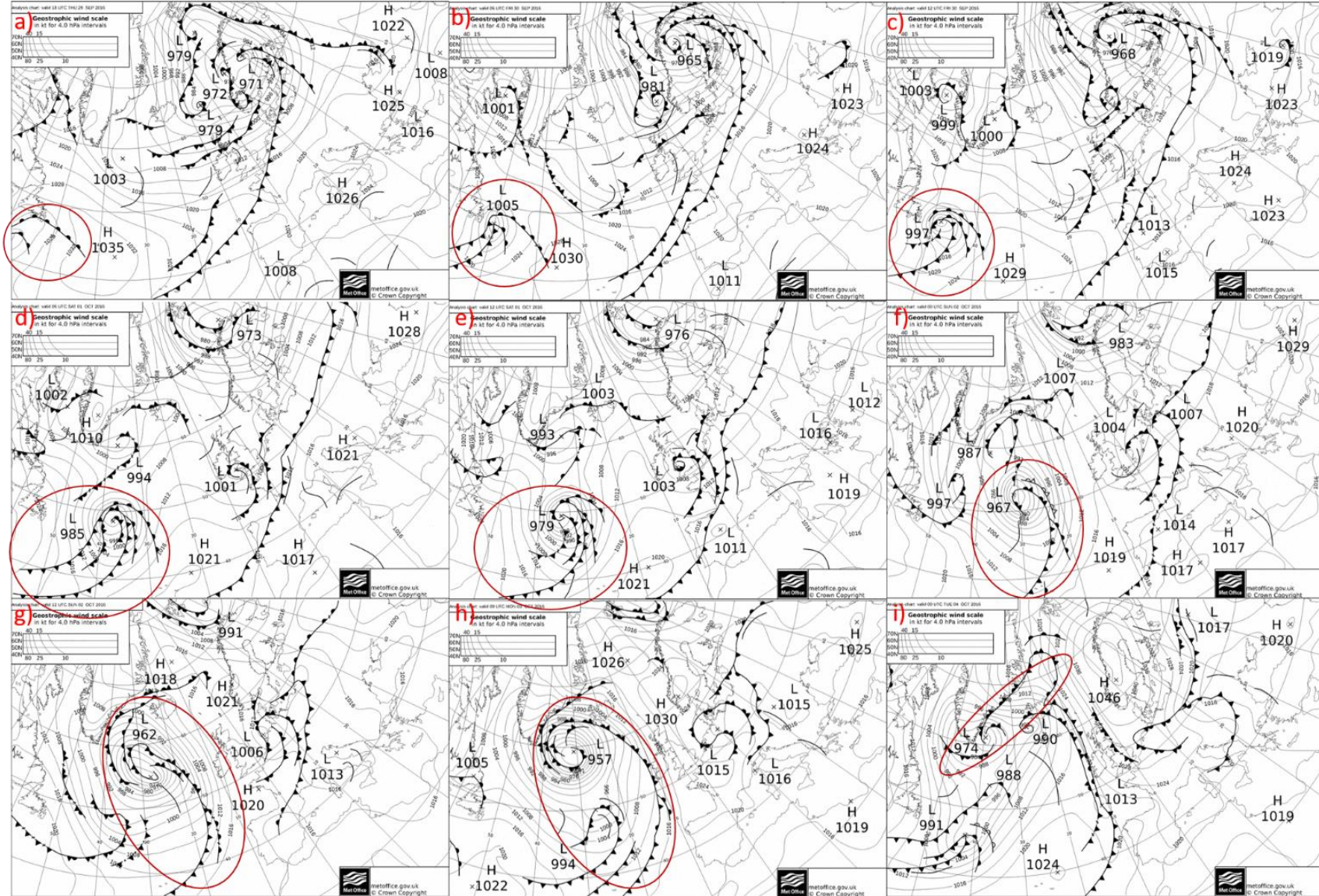
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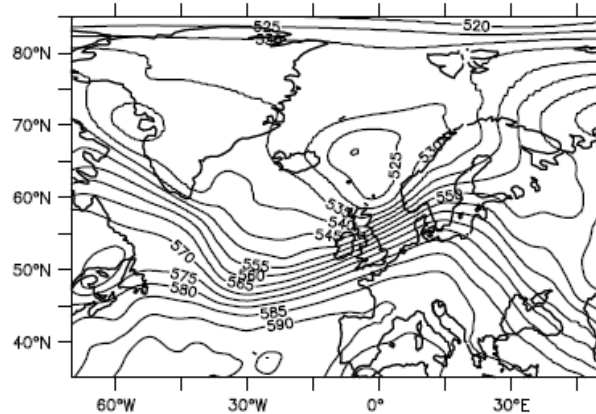
PV at 320 K and 500 hPa  
Geopotential height



# Initial Shock: 29 September 2016

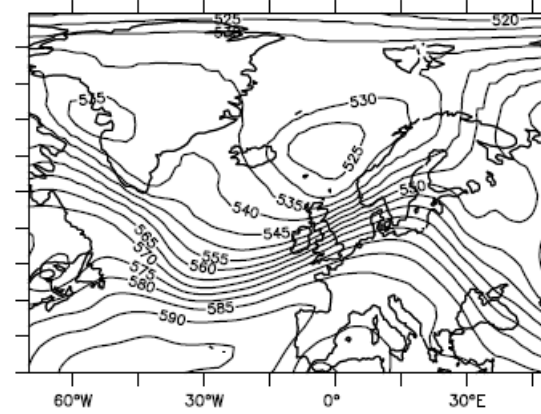
- Models initiated with non-native initial conditions will take a while to adjust back to their own trajectory.
- This adjustment is the “initial shock” and can be seen through initiation of gravity waves right at the start of the run.

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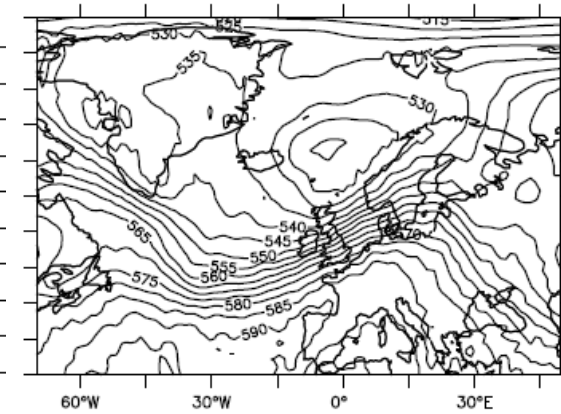
**ARPEGE LRES (~1.4)**

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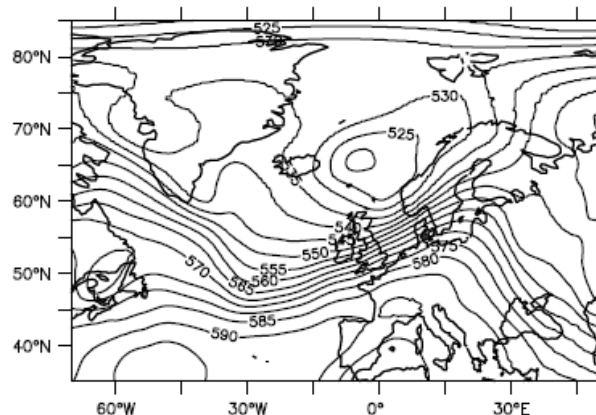
**ARPEGE HRES (~0.5)**

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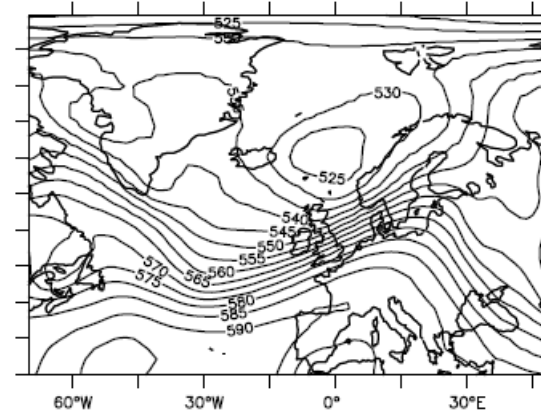


**LMDZ (1.1)**

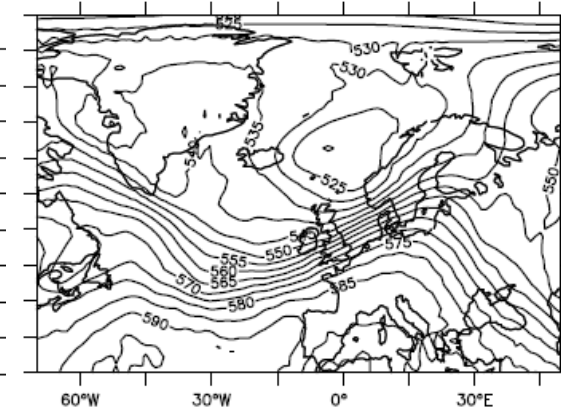
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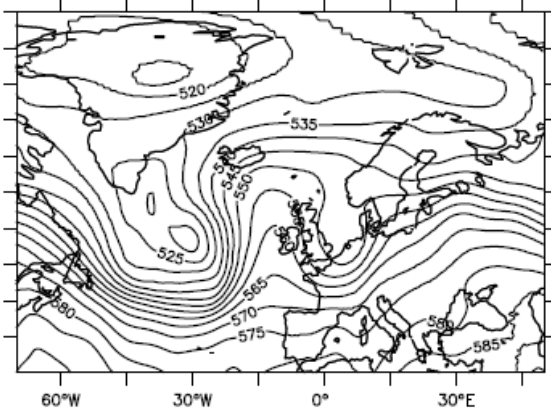


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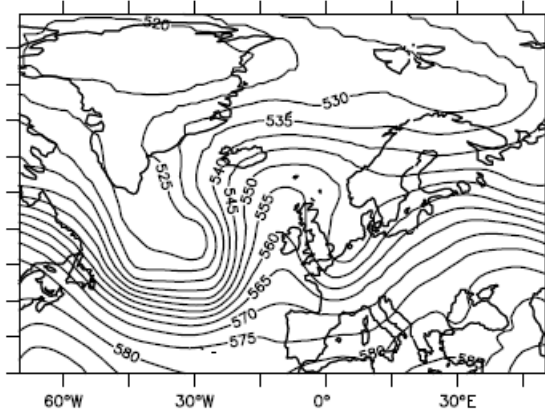
# Initial Shock: 2 October 2016

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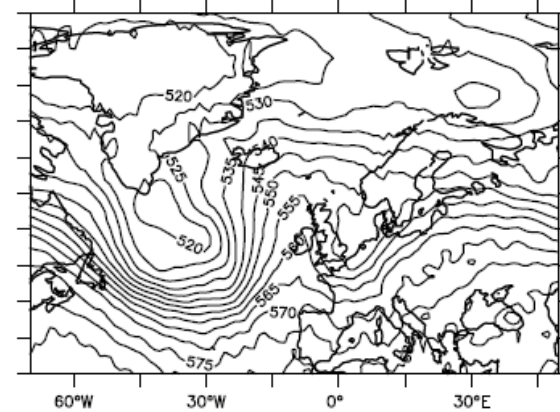
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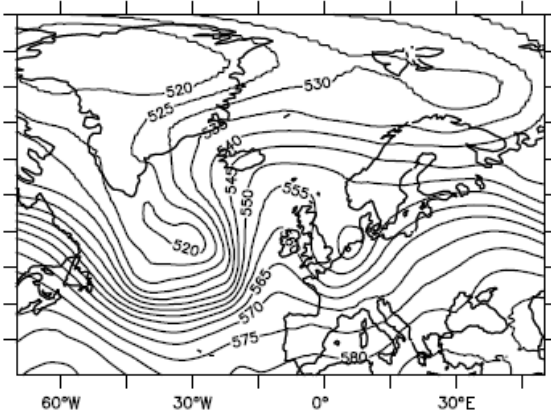
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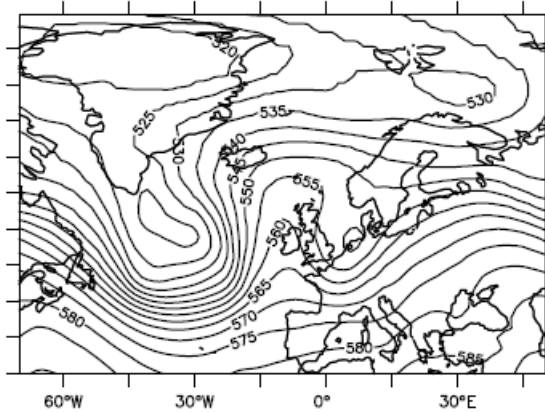


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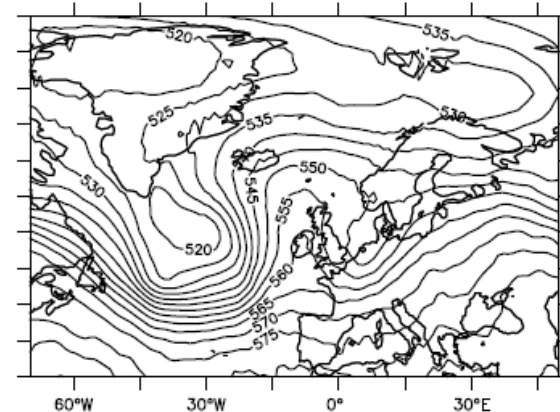
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# Cyclone Development: 29 September hindcast

ECMWF (1.1 °)

LMDZ (1.1 °)

ARPEGE-Climat (~1.4 °)

ARPEGE-Climat (~0.5 °)

T+12

PV at T+30

T+36

ARPEGE-Climat (~1.4 °)

ARPEGE-Climat (~0.5 °)

T+66

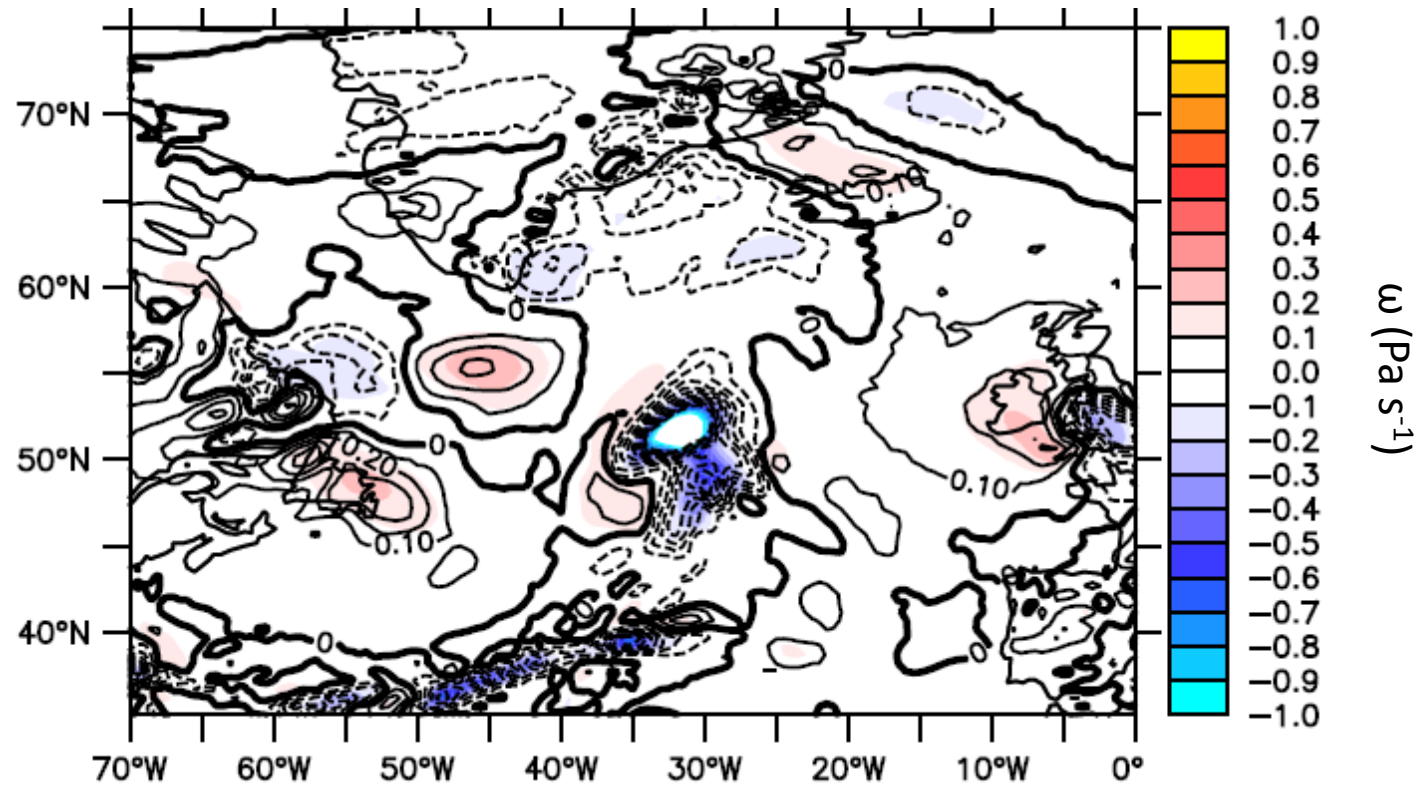


PV [PVU]

T+96

Vorticity [ $s^{-1}$ ]

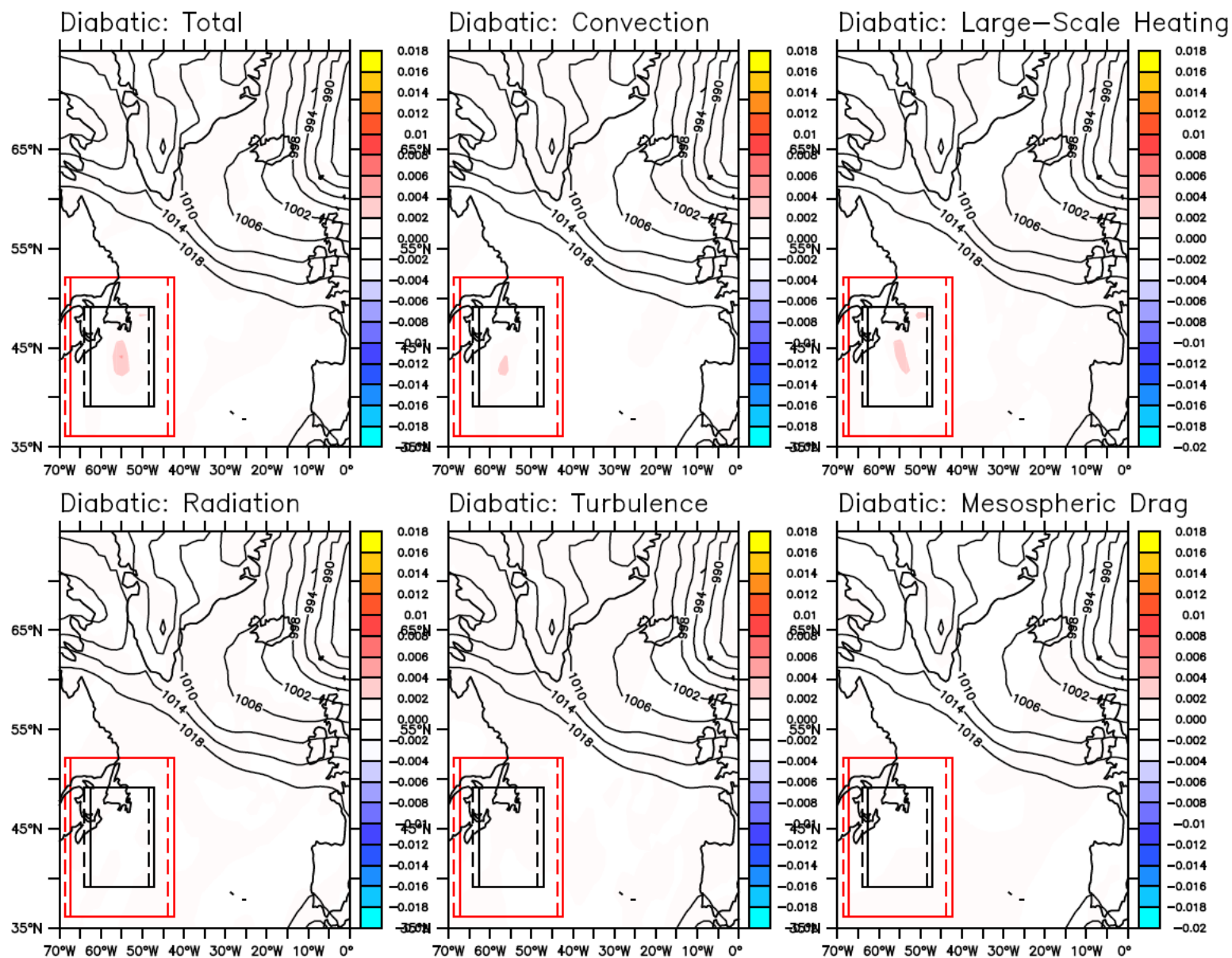
# Inversion of the omega equation



# ARPEGE

LRES

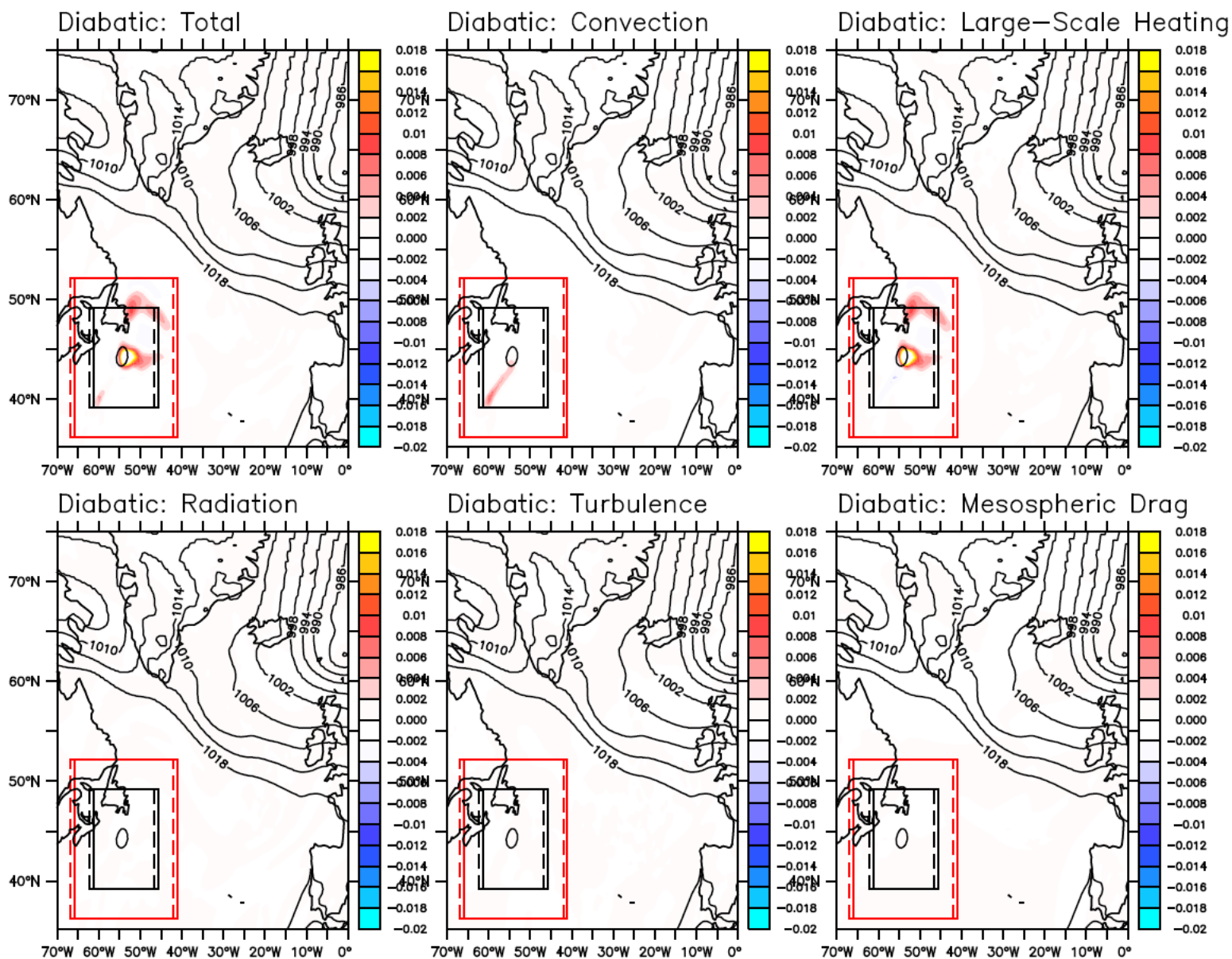
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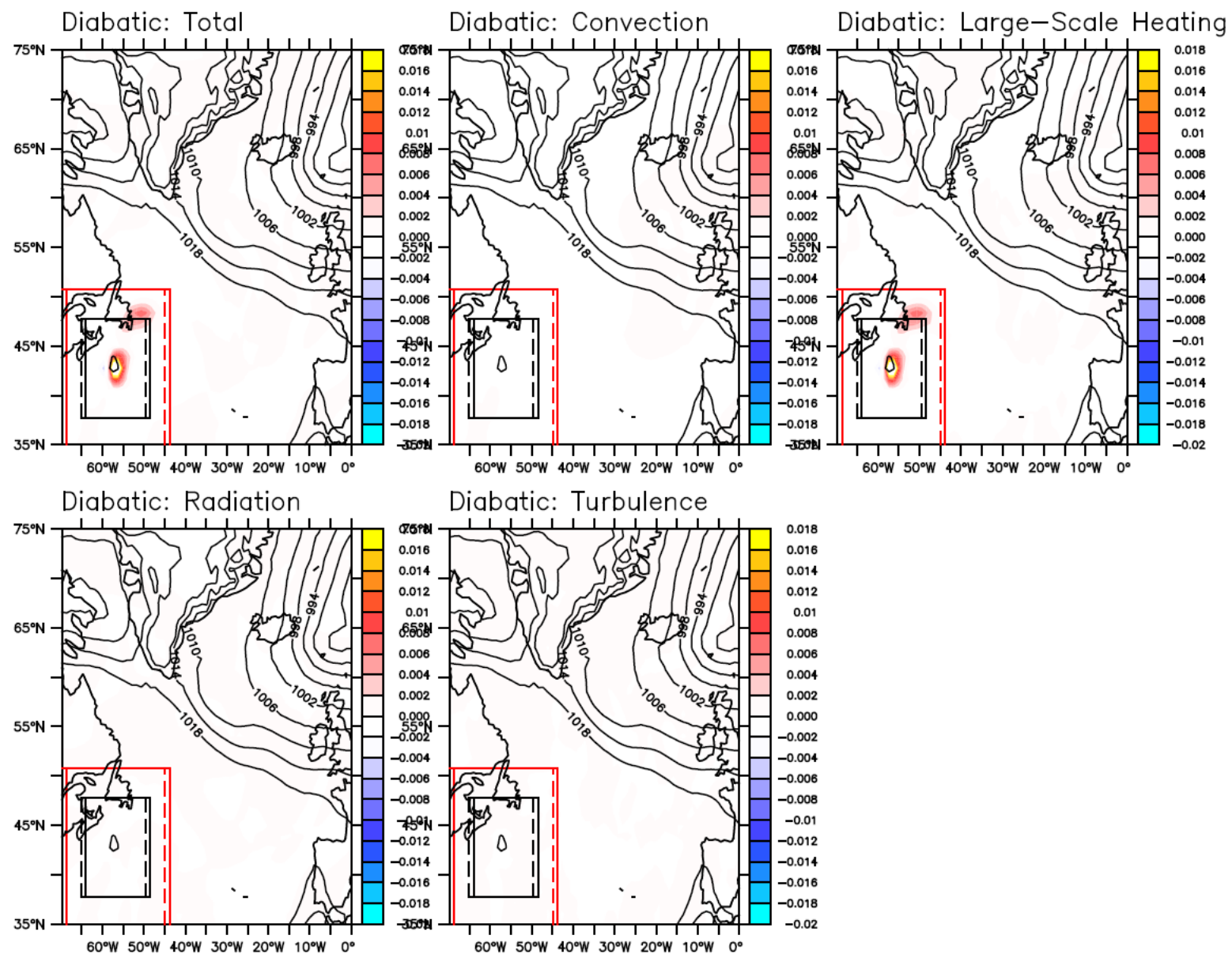
HRES

T+18



# LMDZ

T+18

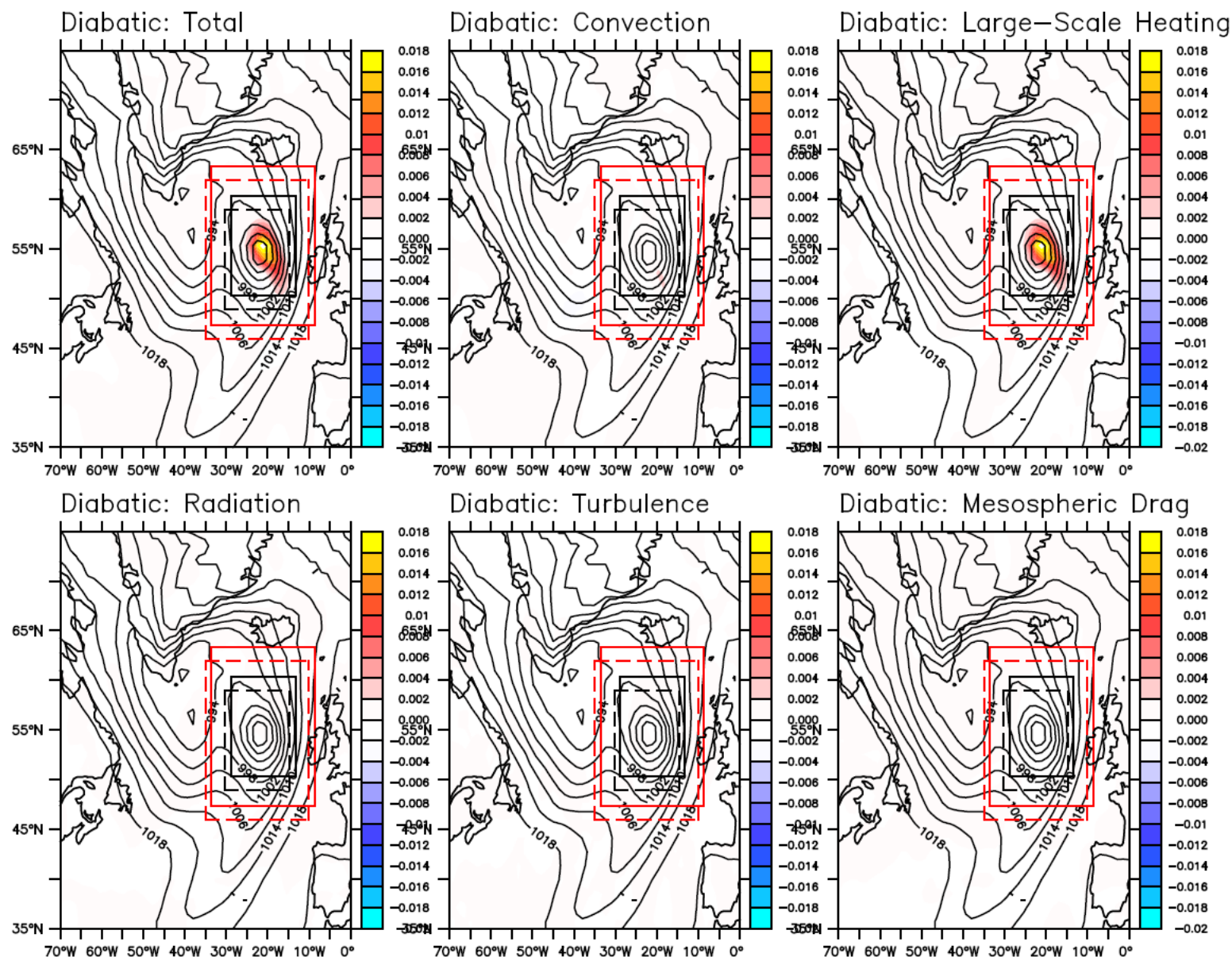


# ARPEGE

LRES

Max. intensification

1200 UTC 2 Sept

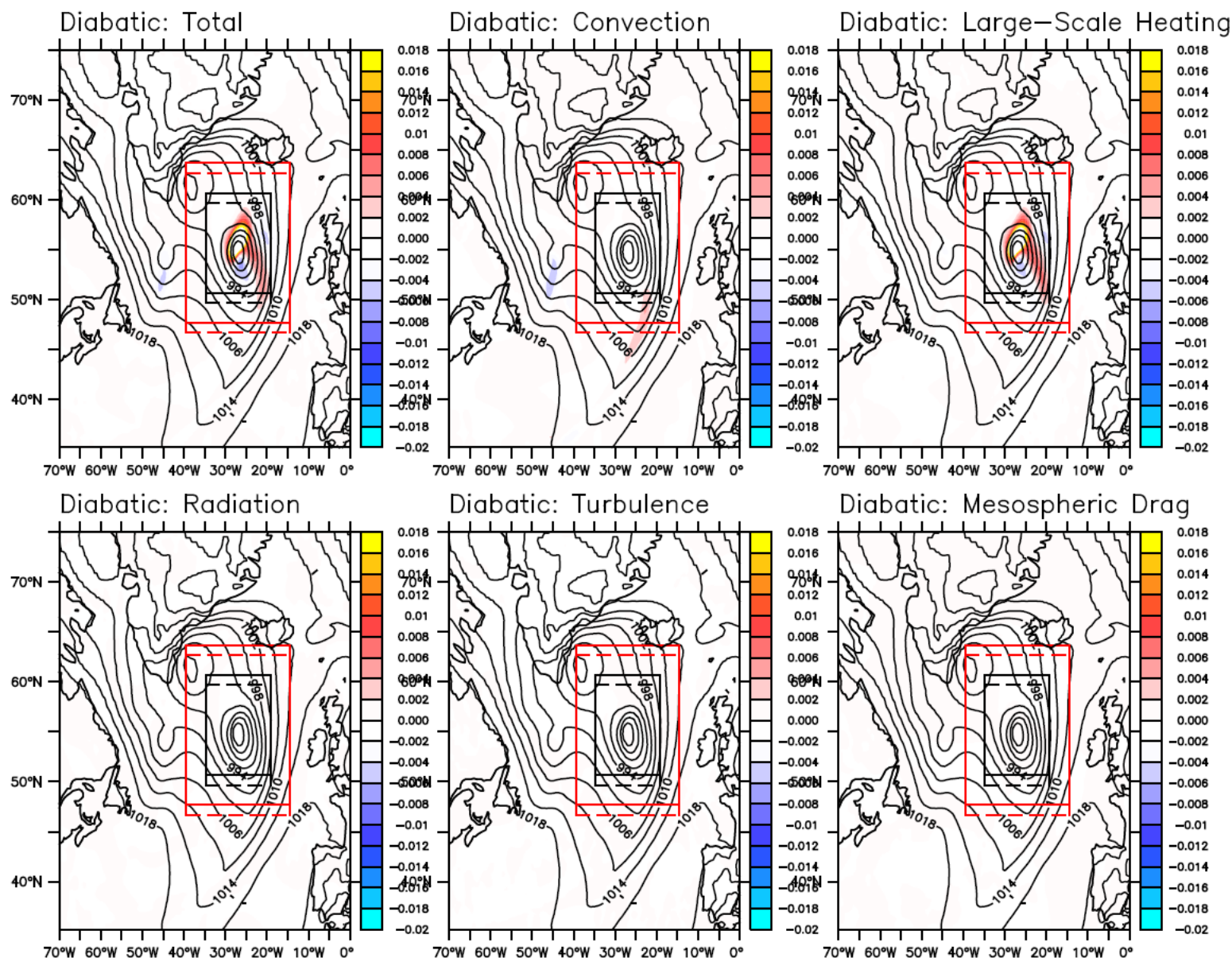


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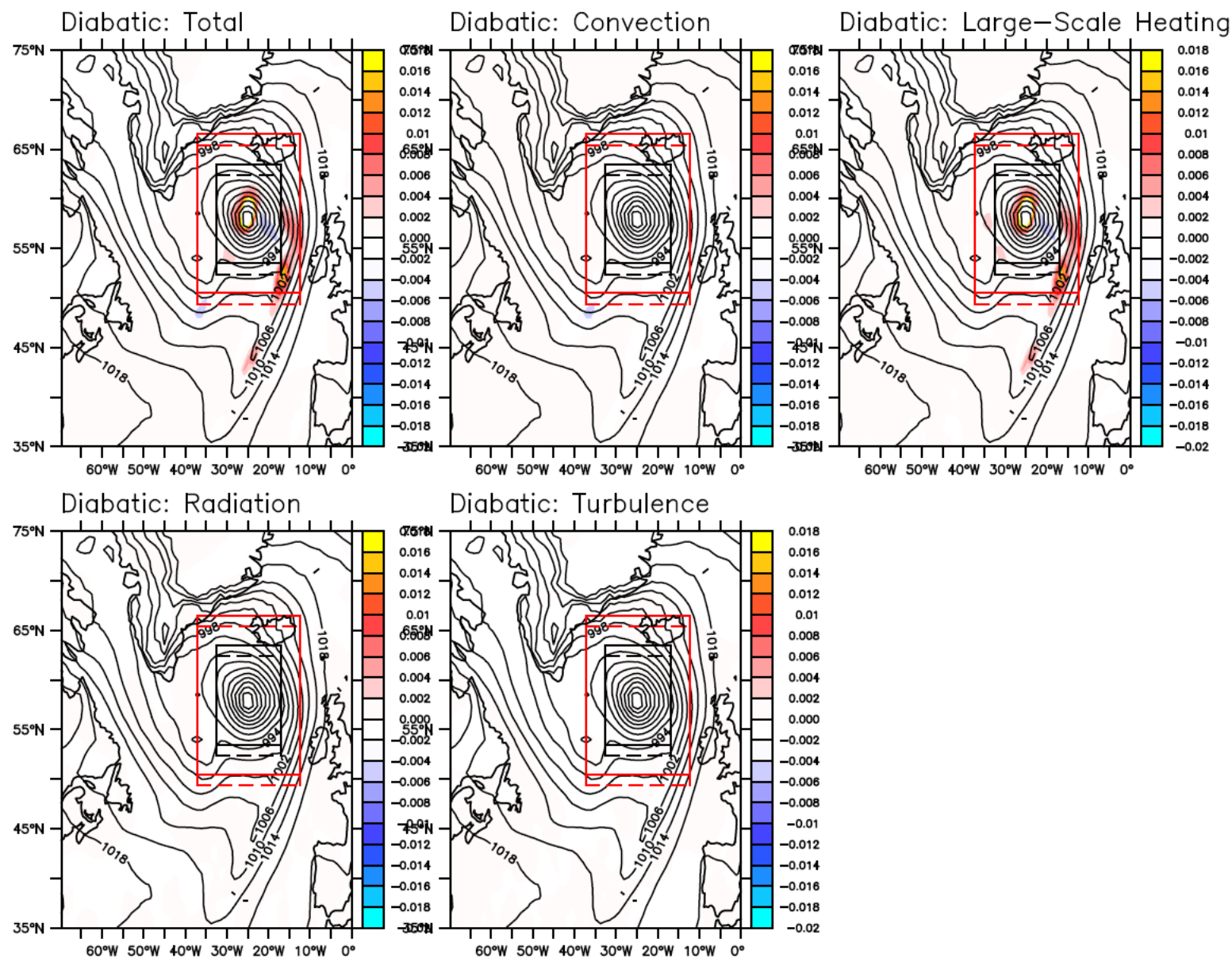
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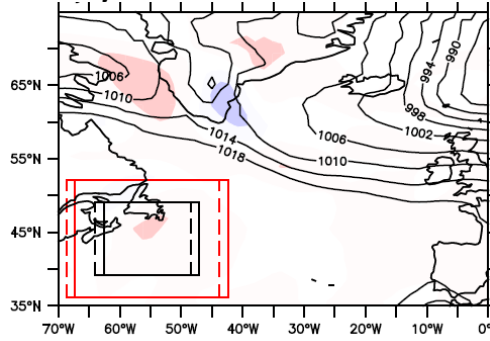
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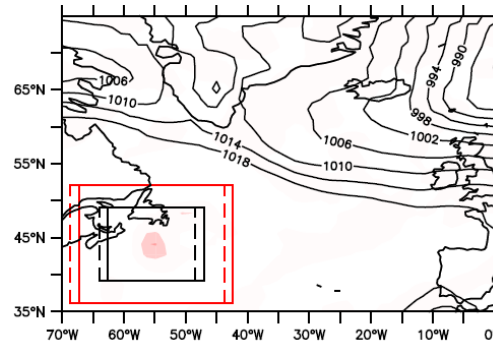
# Initial development: 30 September 00 UTC

ARPEGE  
(~1.4)

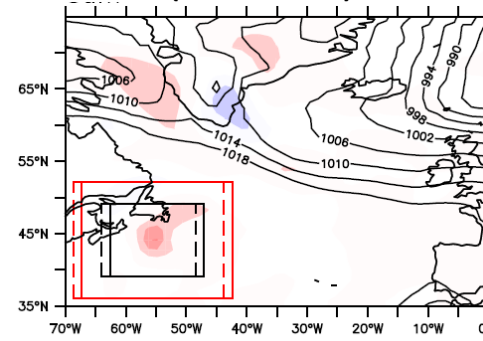
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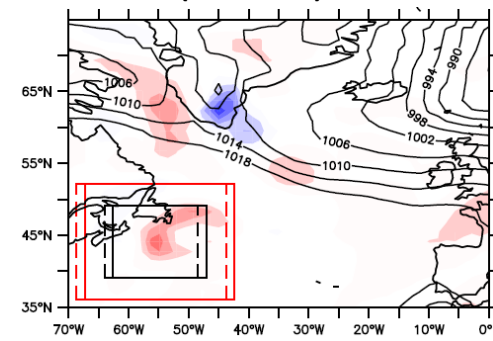
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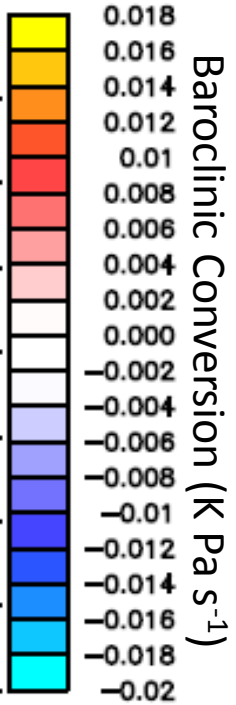
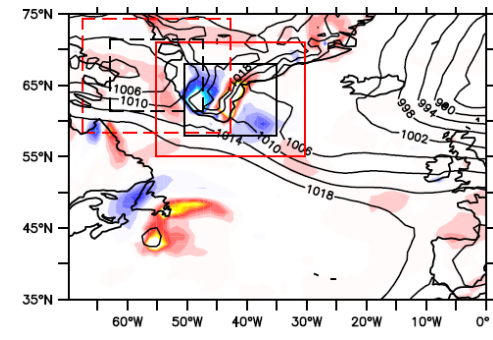
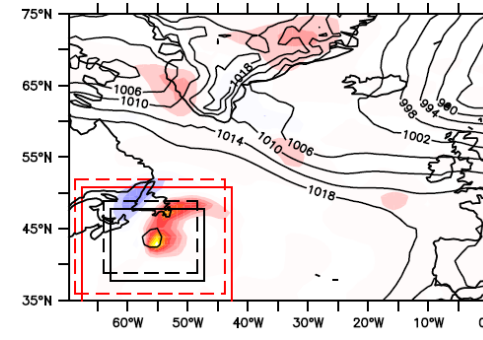
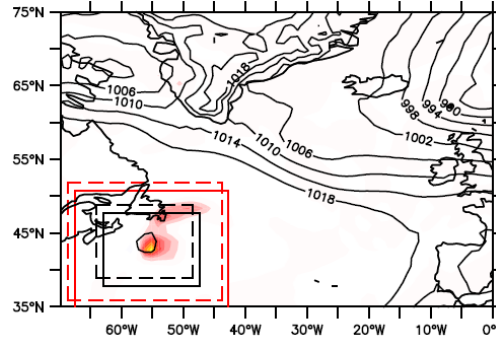
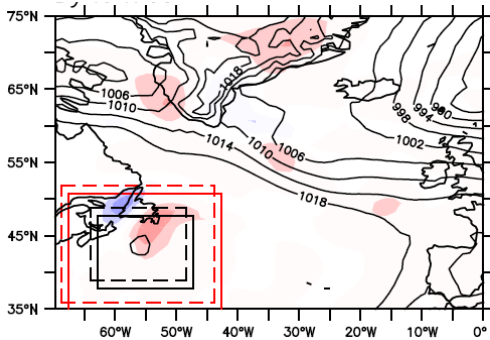
Sum (inverted)



Sum (model)



LMDZ  
(~1.1)

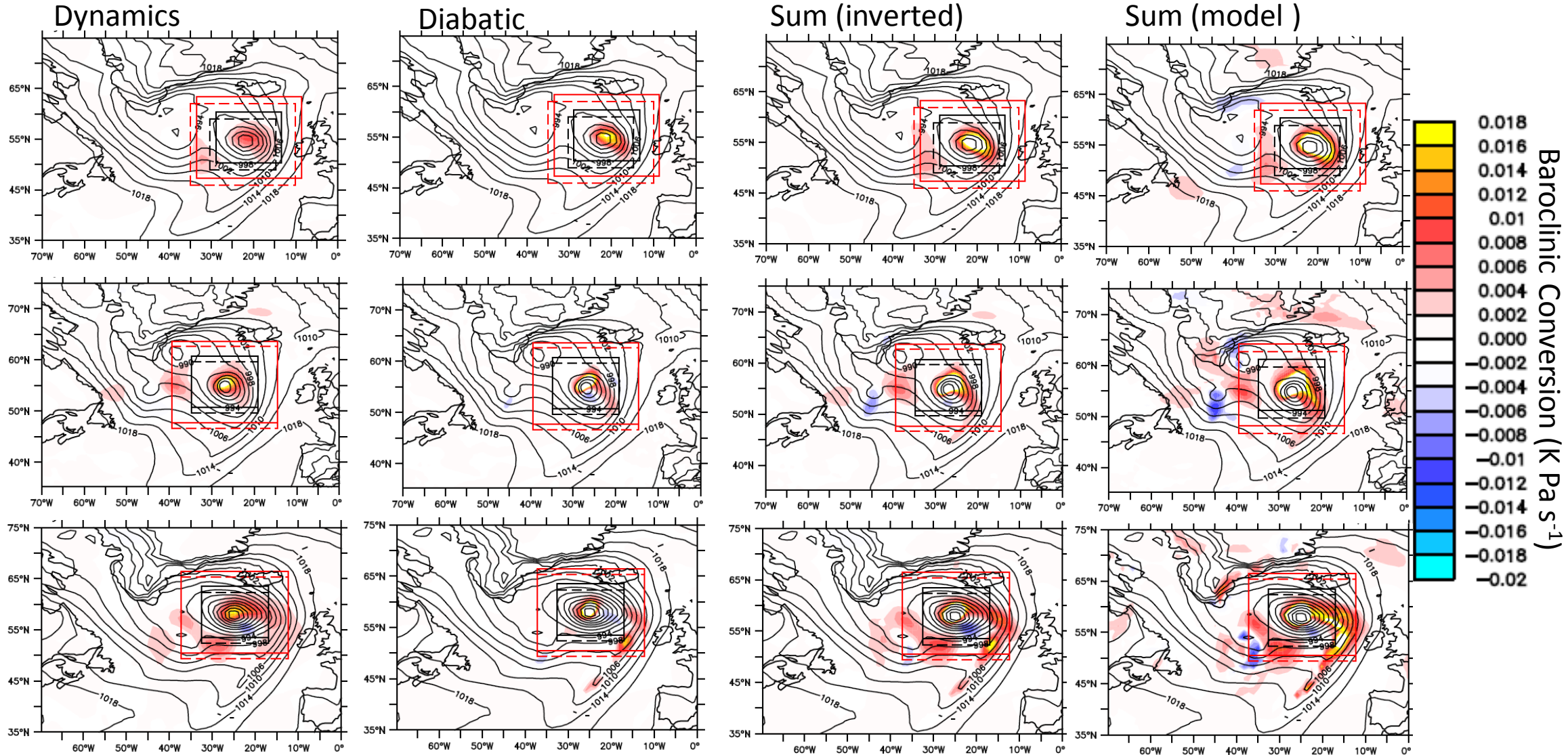


# Maximum intensification

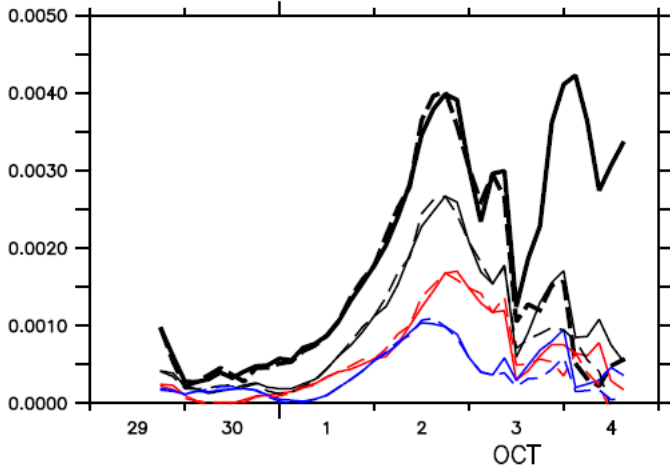
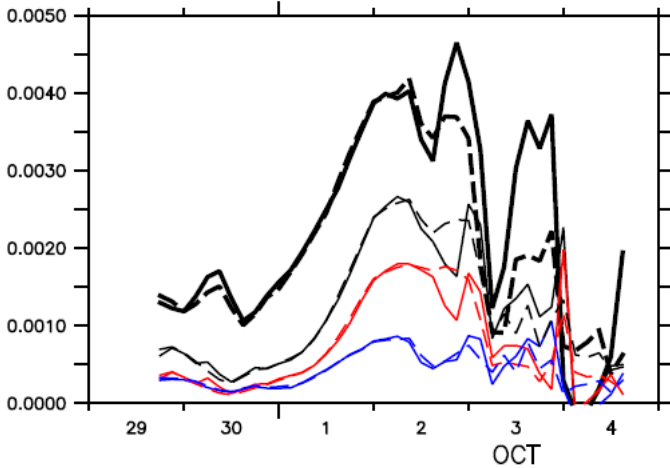
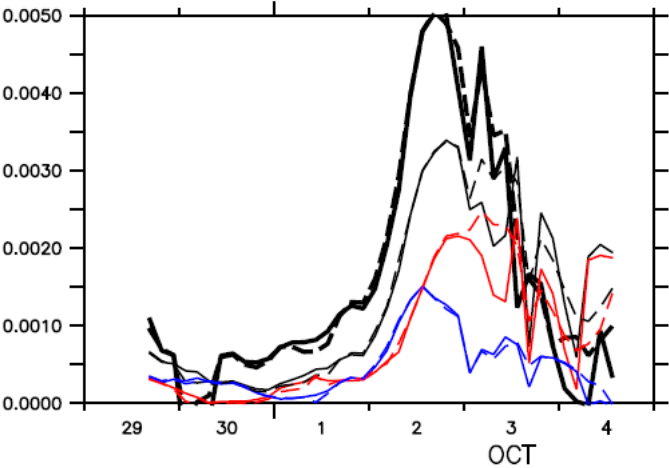
ARPEGE  
(~1.4)  
12 2 Sept

ARPEGE  
(~0.5)  
00 2 Sept

LMDZ  
(~1.1)  
18 2 Sept



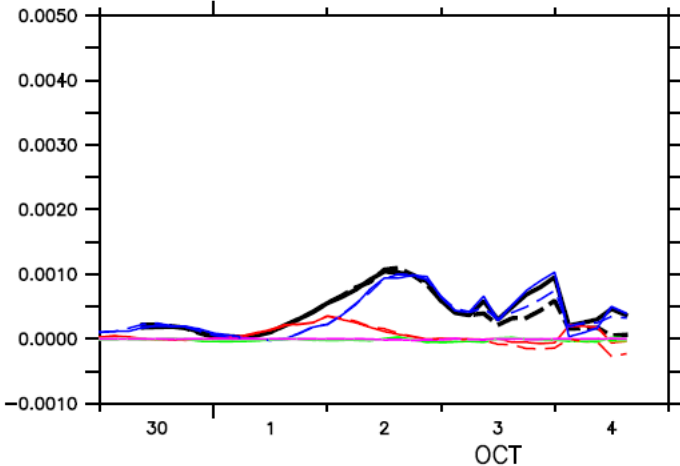
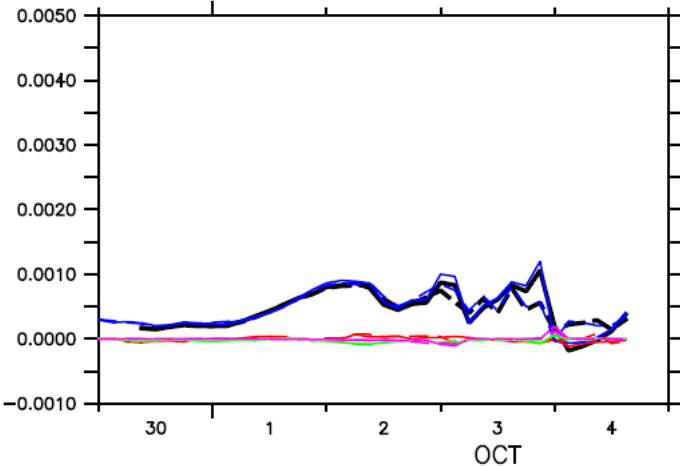
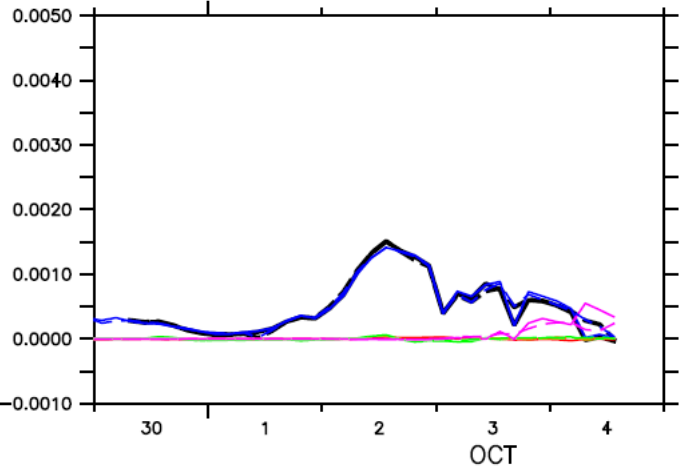
Larger area (10x10 degrees)



LRES ARPEGE

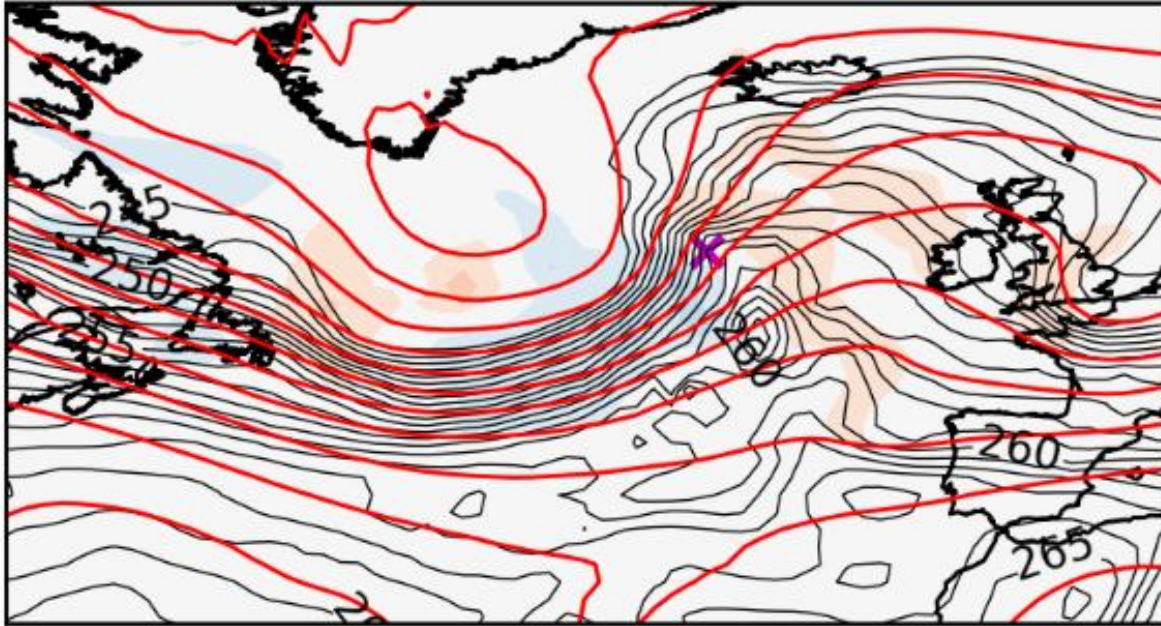
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LMDZ

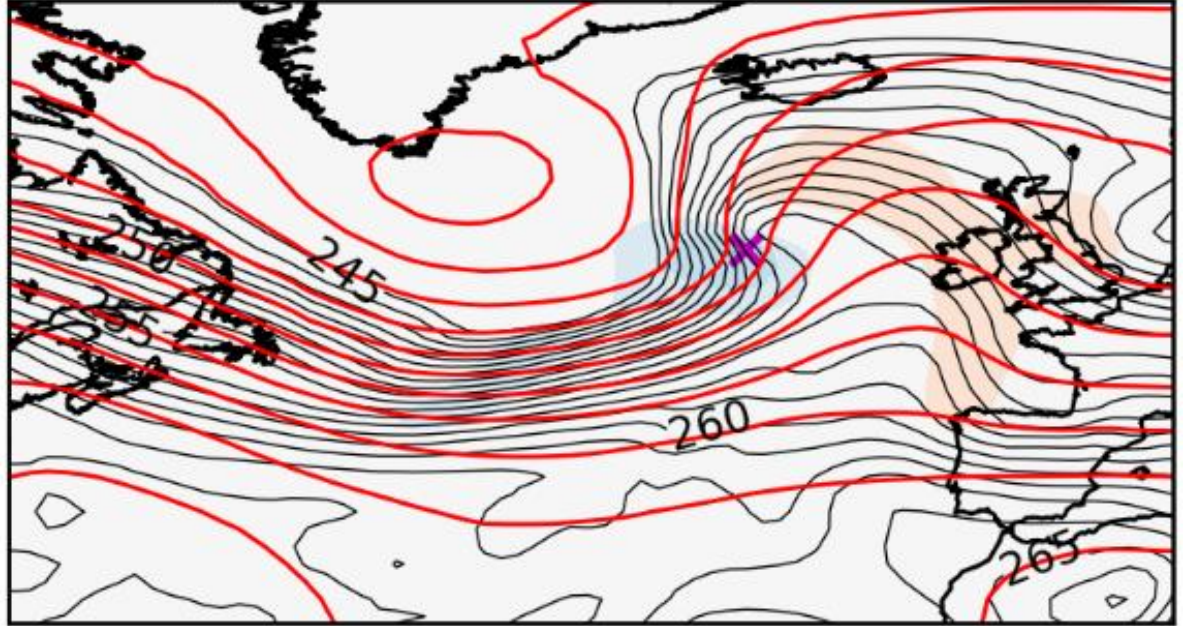


# LMDZ vs. LRES ARPEGE deepening

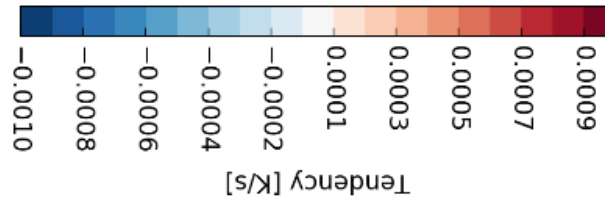
LMDZ T+84



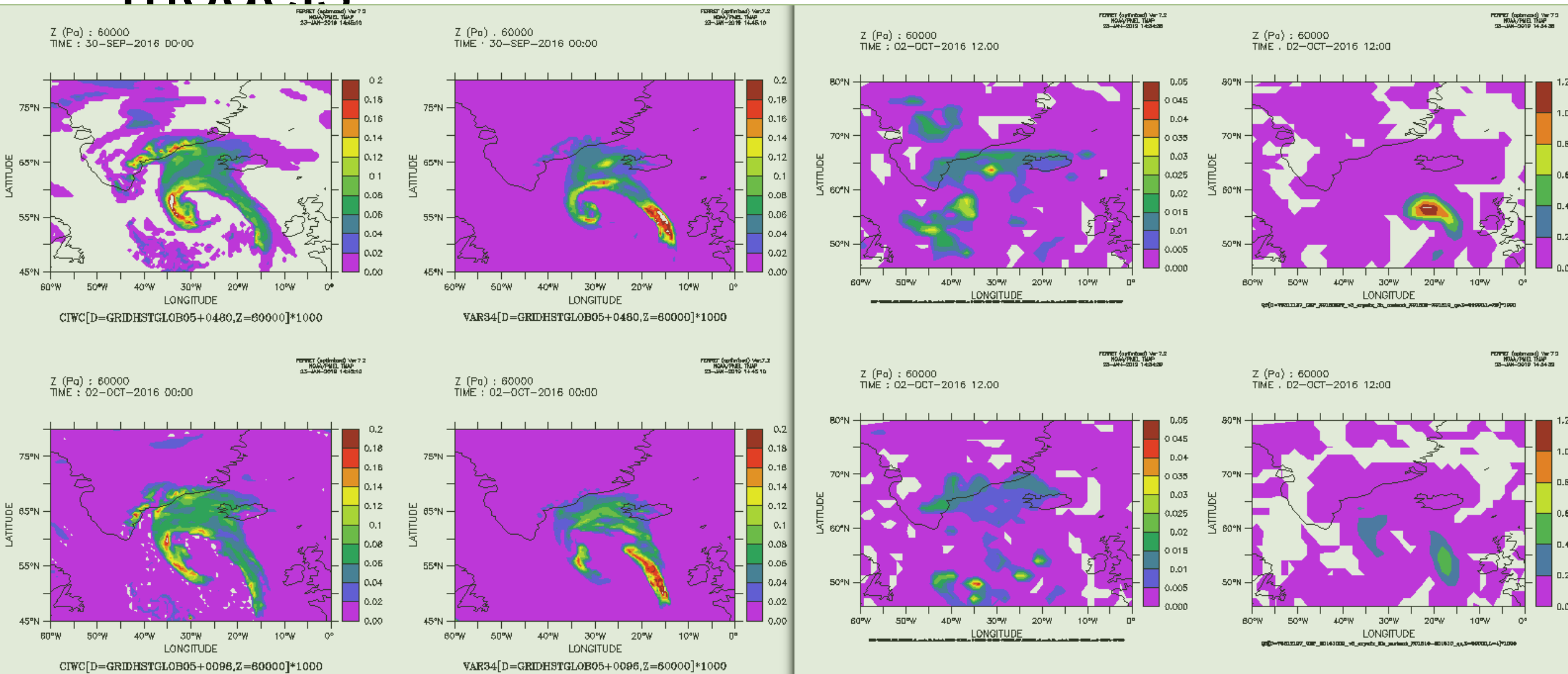
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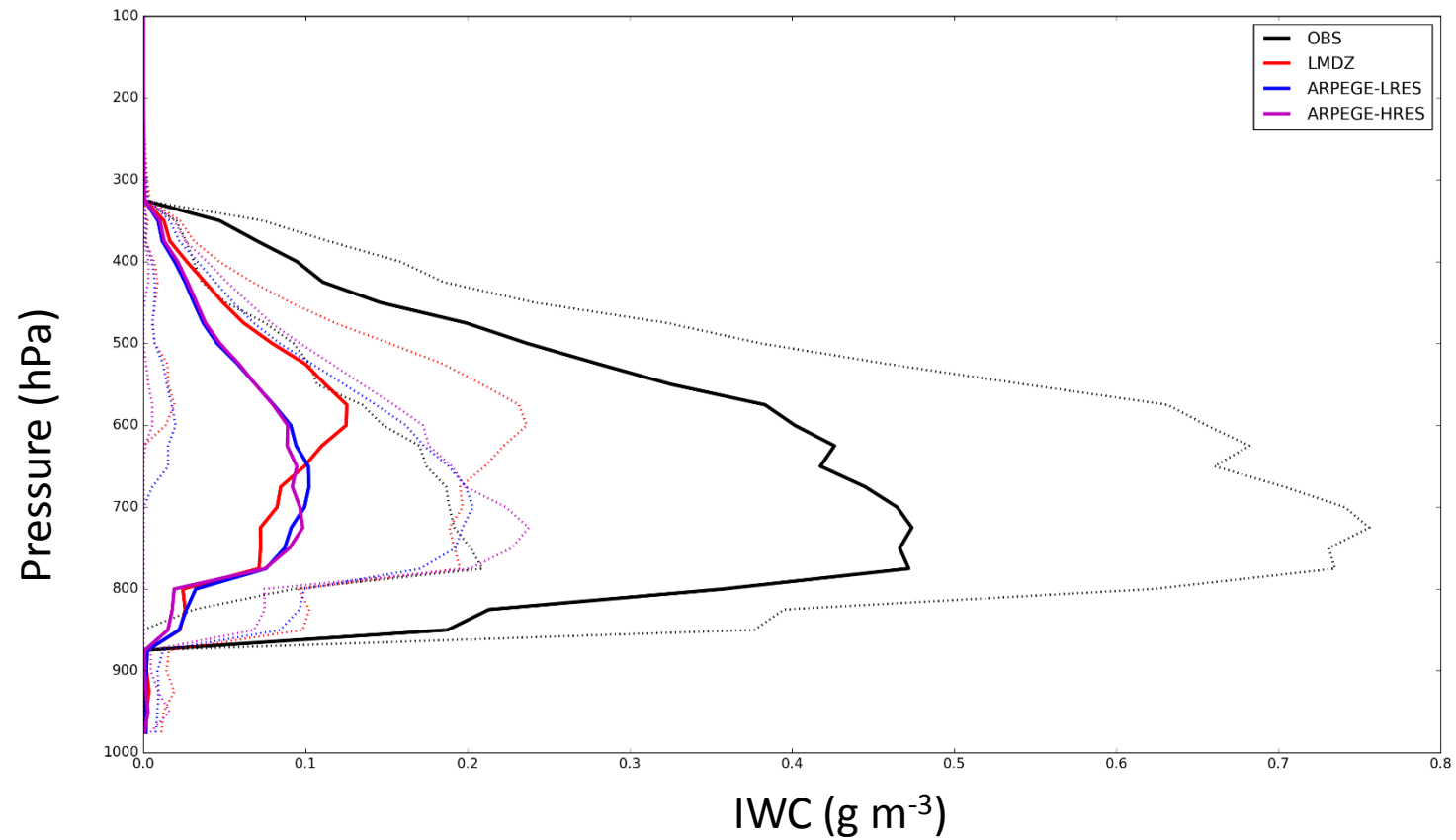
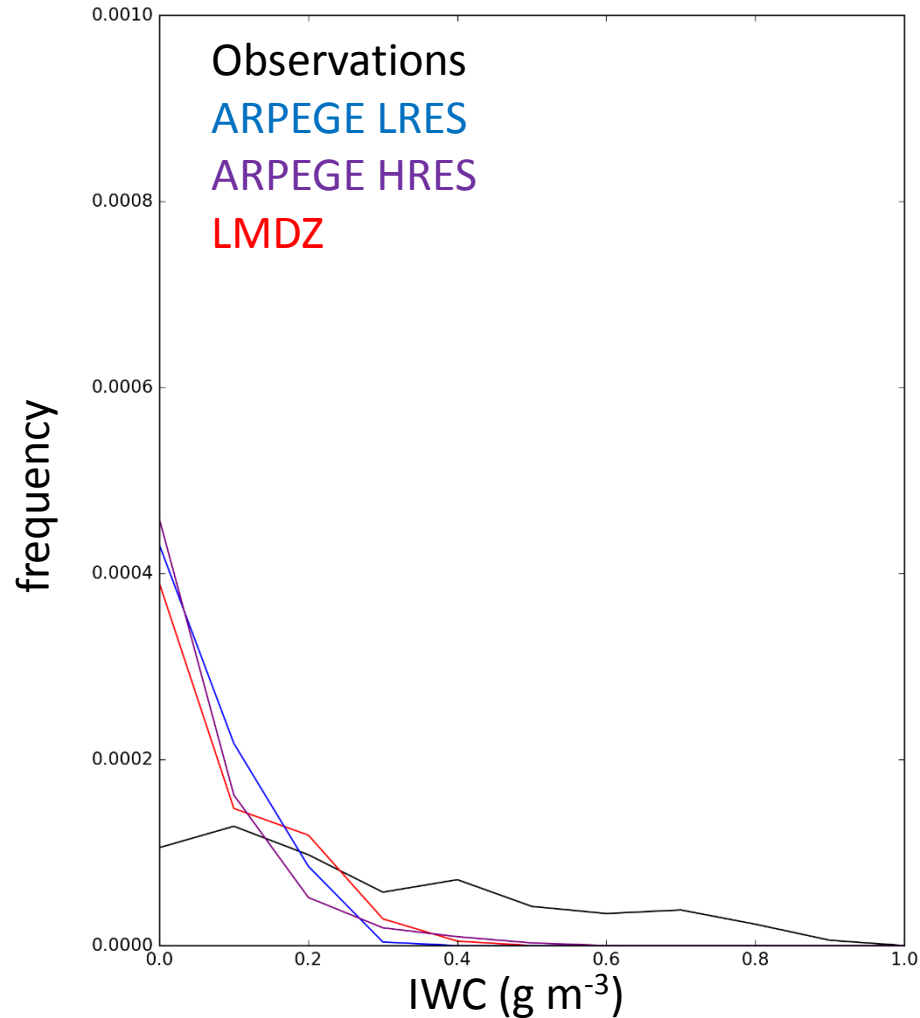
Tighter Geopotential height  
gradient in LMDZ compared  
to ARPEGE



# Ice Water Content – raw output from models



# Ice Water Content Flight 7: 2 October hindcast



# Windspeed Flight 7: 2 October hindcast

