

# Atmosphere-Ocean Single-Column Model (AOSCM)

A tool to help improve coupled models in the Arctic

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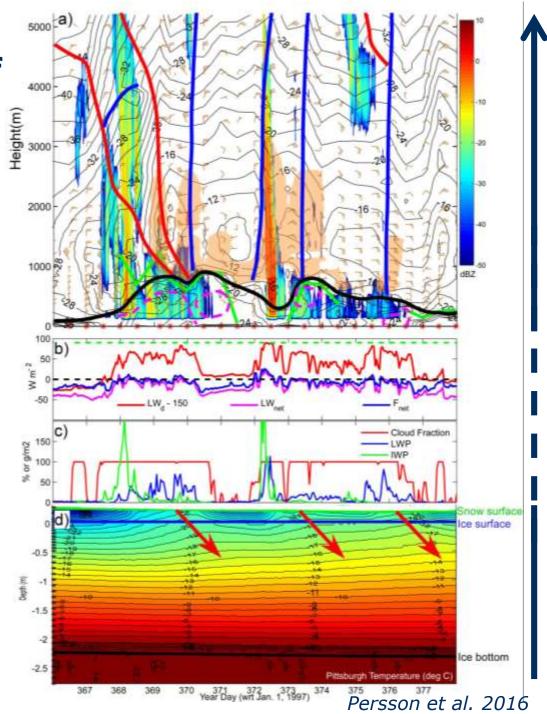
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Surface response of synoptic events

**Snow** 

Ice

Ocean



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**Surface** 

**Energy** 

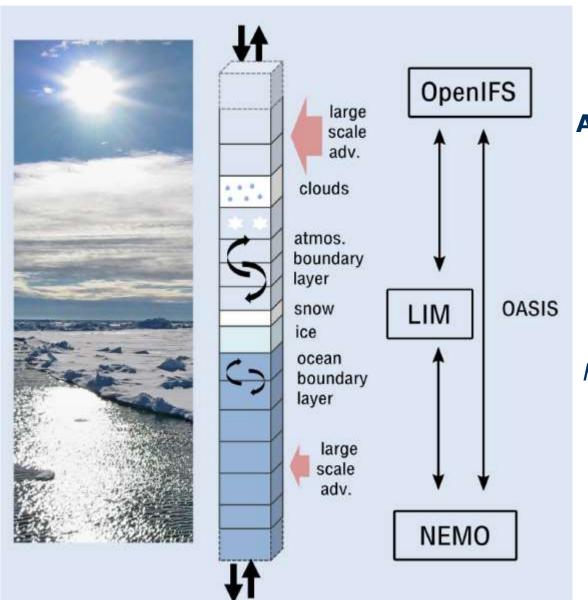
**Budget** 

## Accelerating model development work Single-column models a link between scales and models



- Large-scale models contain all scales, all processes, and are expensive to run and have biases
- Parameterisations are mainly distributing momentum and heat in the vertical
- SCM framework allows to **separate the scales** using advective tendencies from the large-scale model (reanalysis, observations, full model ...) as forcing on the vertical column
- NEW feature here is the Atmosphere-Ocean Single-Colum Model (**AOSCM**), built within the EC-Earth development portal (*Hartung et al.*, 2018)
- Work centered around well-observed cases (Supersites, icebreaker Oden expedition data, MOSAiC etc) & LES simulations

# Atmosphere-Ocean Single-Column Model Developed within the EC-Earth portal





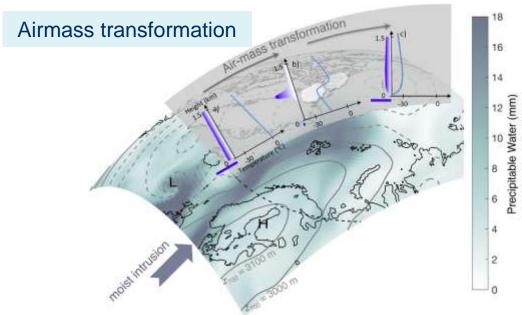
#### AOSCM.v1\_EC-Earth3

OpenIFS cycle 40r1
OASIS3-MCT
LIM3
NEMO3.6

Hartung et al., 2018, GMD

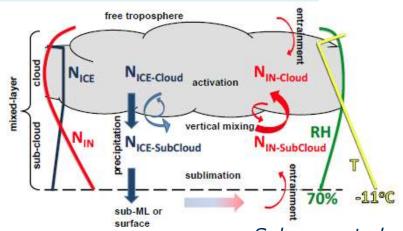


### **Arctic local processes**



Pithan, Svensson et al., 2018

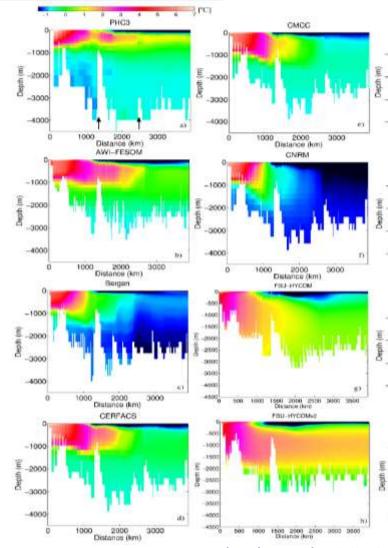
#### Aerosol, cloud microphysics and mixing



Solomon et al., 2015

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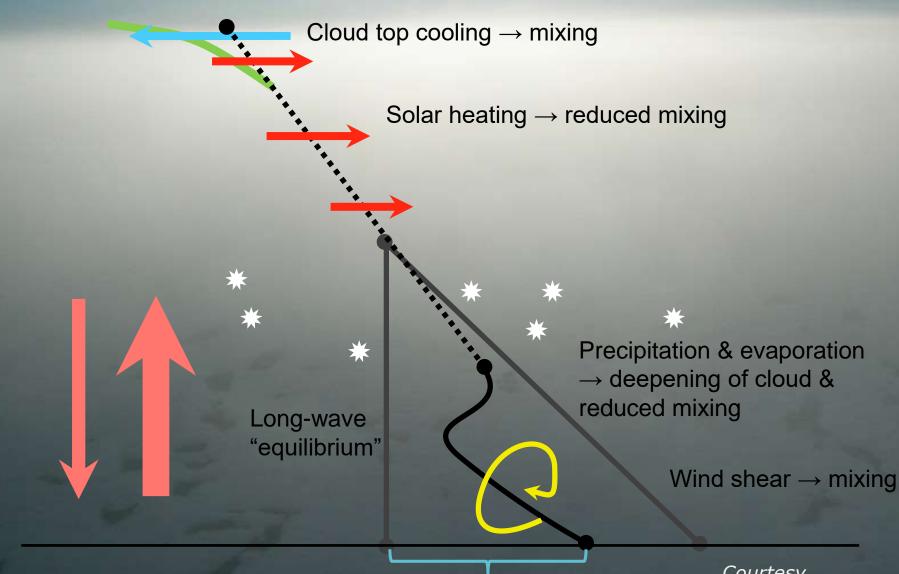
#### Ocean vertical mixing



Ilicak et al., 2016

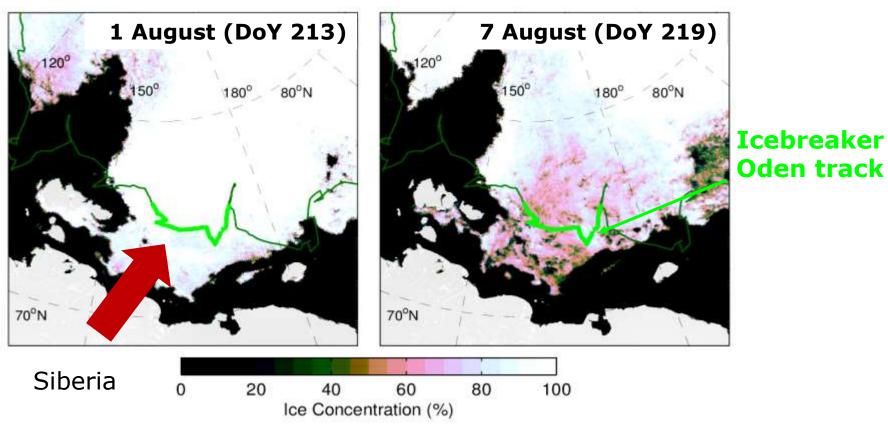
### Focusing on surface energy budget:

What atmospheric processes do we need to get right?



### An extreme warm advection episode Observations on icebreaker Oden, ACSE 2014



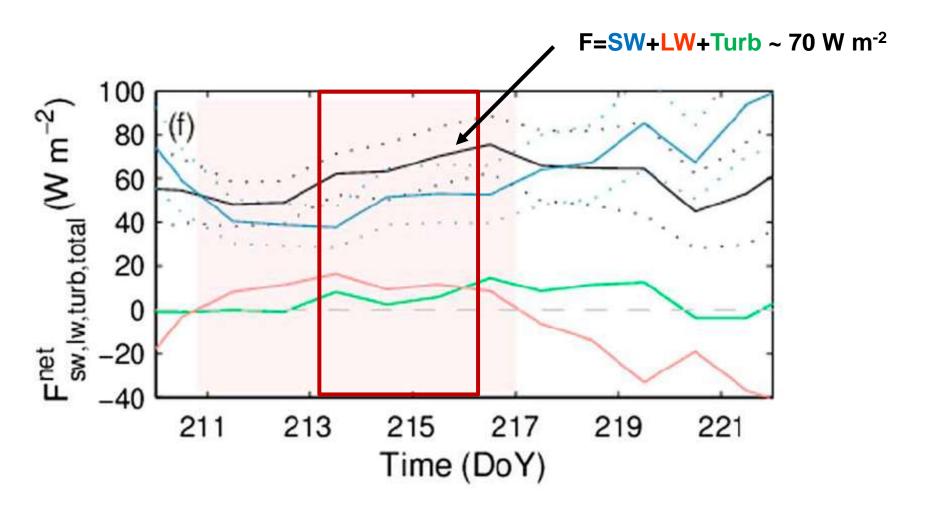


**Oden track** 

### **Observed surface energy budget**

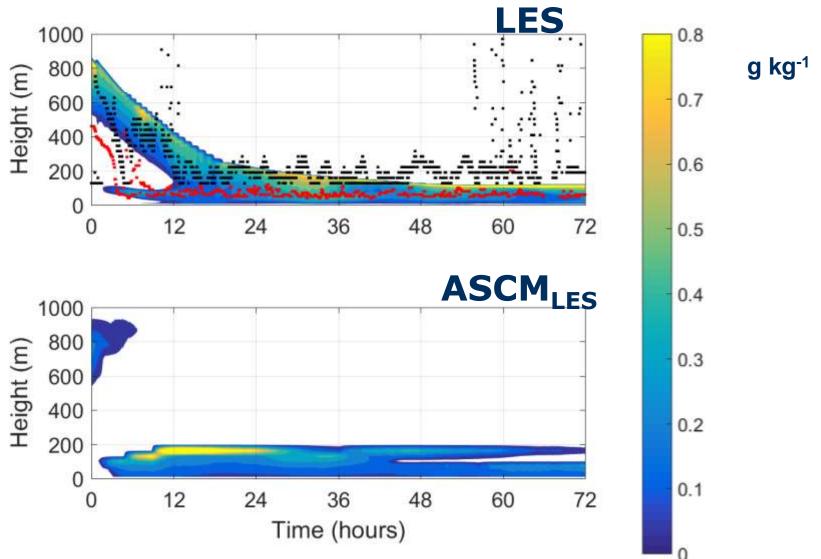
(atmospheric point of view)





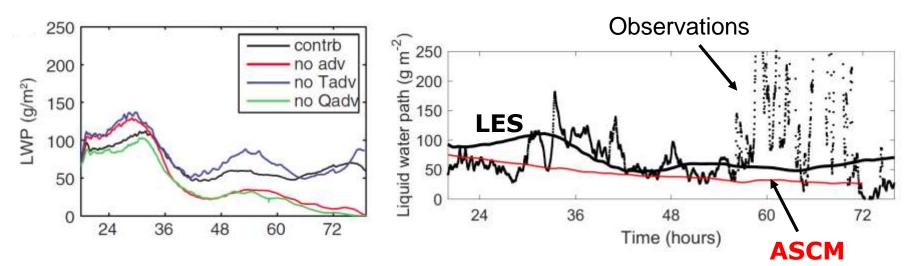
# **LES and ASCM**Cloud liquid water content





## **Sensitivity to advection**LES (MIMICA) and ASCM simulation of ACSE case



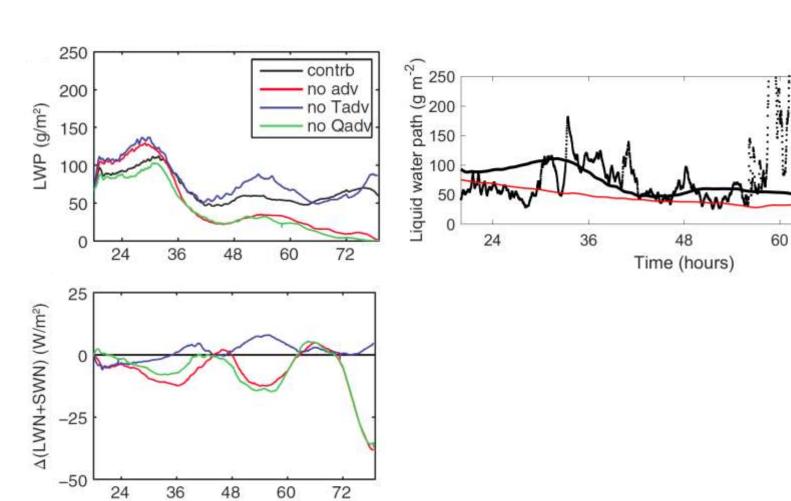


Moisture advection necessary to maintain the cloud

# **Sensitivity to advection LES (MIMICA) simulation of ACSE case**



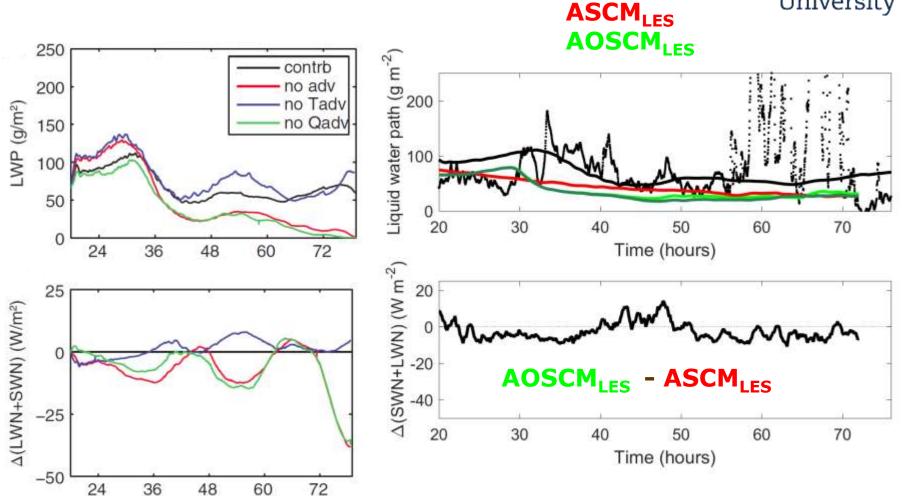
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### **Sensitivity to coupling**LES (MIMICA) simulation of ACSE case





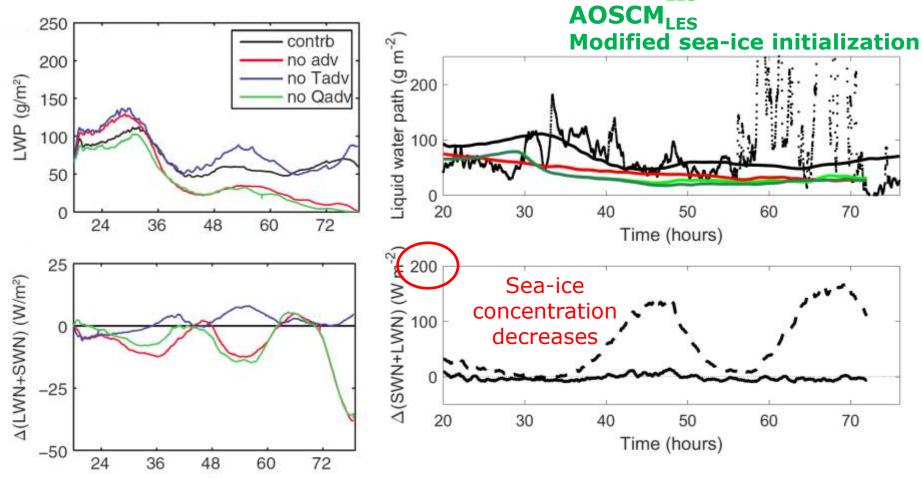
Same order of change in net surface radiation coupled/uncoupled as LES with/without advection Almost no sea-ice melt and constant mean albedo

**LES** 

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## **Sensitivity to advection**LES (MIMICA) simulation of ACSE case





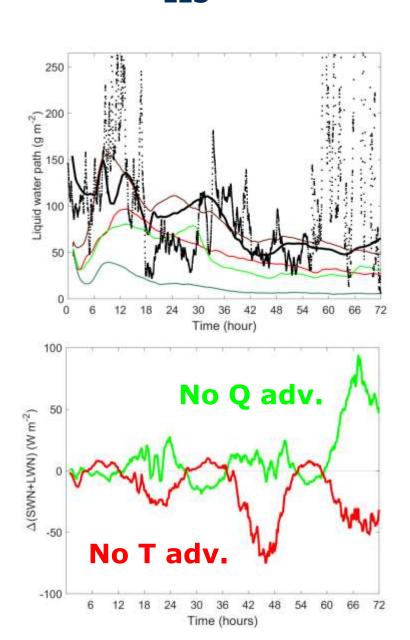
When sea-ice is melting, the picture changes!

**ASCM**<sub>LES</sub>

**AOSCM<sub>LES</sub>** 

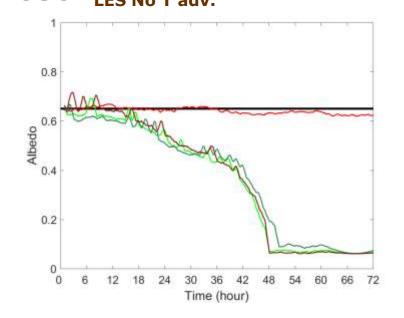
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### **AOSCM**<sub>LES</sub>



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Sea-ice is gone unrealistically fast – initialization of the ice is not adequate

### **Concluding remarks**

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SCM simulations are intended for improved understanding of parameterized processes in more controlled conditions

AOSCM makes it possible to study interactions ocean/seaice/snow/atmosphere with focus on vertical coupling processes, physical and technical

Large-scale advection and local vertical processes can be separated

AOSCM is developed and maintained within the EC-Earth development portal, tagged version AOSCM.v1\_EC-Earth3

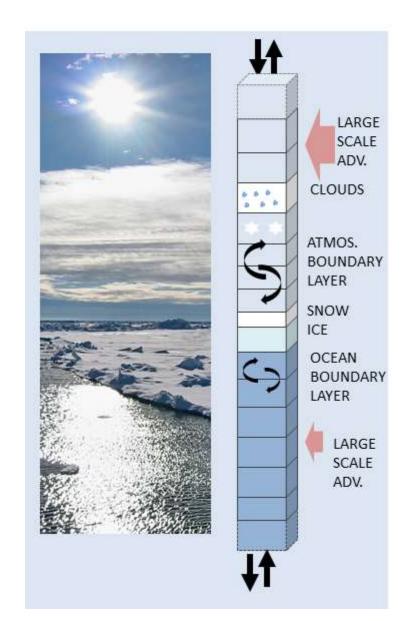
Similar to the NWP Operational system IFS

Simulations of the ACSE case show that the coupling may has as large impact as the advection of moisture in the LES case

Initialization, especially the cloud and sea-ice temperature, has impact on the evolution of the cloud and the energy budget

### **AOSCM and MOSAiC**







http://www.mosaic-expedition.org

