## INTERNAL MODEL VARIABILITY IN THE REGIONAL COUPLED SYSTEM MODEL GCOAST-AHOI



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## GCOAST-AHOI

<u>Geesthacht</u> Coupled cOAstal model SysTem

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#### Helmholtz-Zentrum **GCOAST-AHOI** Geesthacht Centre for Materials and Coastal Research Configuration Outline 70° N MSLP; Wind 10M; Surface runoff: CCLM & HD /Δ T\_2M; QV\_2M; Heat fluxes; Sub-surface 60° N Precipitation; Snowfall runoff COSMO-CLM **1. GCOAST-AHOI** Nwg 0 60° N Sea 2. Uncertainty 50° N 50° N S I NEMO 3. Storm Christian NS BS Ice temperature; SST Discharge & LIM 40° N fraction & albedo 40° N 4. Results NEMO-LIM3 HD 30° N 30° N 5. Summary Model dT Forcing Res. **COSMO-CLM** ~ 12 km, 75 s ERA5 (1-hr) 10° W 10° E 20° E 30° E 0° v5.0 40 levs **HD** v4.0 ~ 8-9 km 3600 s 10 20 30 40 50 150 400 1000 3000 CMEMS UKMO; Bathymetry (m) **NEMO-LIM3** ~ 3.5 km, 120 s Model domains (CCLM and HD: Grey, NEMO: Color). v3.6 56 levs **OSU** tides Four rectangles: NwgSea (Norwegian Sea), NS BS OASIS3-MCT v3 3600 s (the North and Baltic Sea), NoEU (north Europe), SoEU (south Europe).

## UNCERTAINTY

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Model uncertainty, shown as model *intermember spread*, can be estimated by *standard deviation* (SD) of the ensemble:

 $SD = \sqrt{\frac{1}{N-1} \sum_{i=1}^{N} (x_i - \bar{x})^2}$ 

where  $\{x_1, x_2, ..., x_N\}$  are the values of each member for a given variable  $\bar{x}$  is the mean value of these members, and N is the number of the members.

[after Alexandru et al., 2007; Lucas-Picher et al., 2008]



## CHRISTIAN HEAVY STORM

## ECHAM6 simulation

28 Oct 2013

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*Numbers* indicate best estimates for the magnitudes of the globally averaged energy balance components together with their uncertainty ranges in *parentheses*, representing present day climate conditions at the beginning of the twenty-first century.

## Surface energy balance

SW + LW - LH - SH - G = 0  $SW = SW \downarrow -SW \uparrow$   $LW = LW \downarrow -LW \uparrow$   $Rnet = SW \downarrow +LW \downarrow -SW \uparrow -LW \uparrow$  Rnet = LH + SH + GG = Rnet - LH - SH = Qnet

*G* is ground heat flux (or heat conducted away from the surface):

$$G = \rho H C \frac{dT}{dt}$$

Over water T is sea surface temperature,  $\rho$  is water density (1000 kg/m3), C is the heat capacity of water (4180 J/kg/K), H is the depth of the mixed layer.

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#### Outline 1. GCOAST-AHOI **CLOUDS and WATER VAPOR CLOUDS and WATER VAPOR** Back ground: Global water cycle (NASA) 2. Uncertainty TRANSPORT Modify air mass Affect cloud temperature & formation & decay 3. Storm Christian humidity PRECIPITA PERMAFROST EVAPOTRANSPIRATION PRECIPITATION EVAPORATIC 4. Results Affect Energy is vertically Affect Rnet, Onet at pressure Modify precipitation the surface transported gradient over landioisture 5. Summary & wind speed OCEAN AKES PERCO Modify sea surface Uncertainty at the temperaturre surface (due to e.g. Modify land surface parameterization of Energy is advected SEA ICE temperature turbulent fluxes) Modify wind speed & Affect land-sea wind direction contrast

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## **ATMOSPHERE ONLY**

Internal model variability in the regional coupled system model GCOAST-AHOI

- Simulations of the stand-alone CCLM (CCLM\_ctr) vary largely amongst ensemble members during the storm Christian.
- The large uncertainty in CCLM\_ctr is caused by a combination of
  - (1) uncertainty in cloud-radiation interaction in the atmosphere, and
  - (2) lack of an active two-way air-sea interaction.
- When CCLM is two-way coupled with the ocean model in GCOAST-AHOI, the spread is remarkably reduced
  - over the ocean where the coupling is done
  - also over land due to the land-sea interactions.

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