

EJEMPLOS DE LA INVESTIGACIÓN EN LA UIB: SENSIBILIDADES Y PREDICTABILIDAD DE LOS CICLONES MEDITERRÁNEOS

Curs d'estiu UIB
“L’oceà i l’atmosfera vistos a través del models numèrics”
(Palma, Juliol 2010)

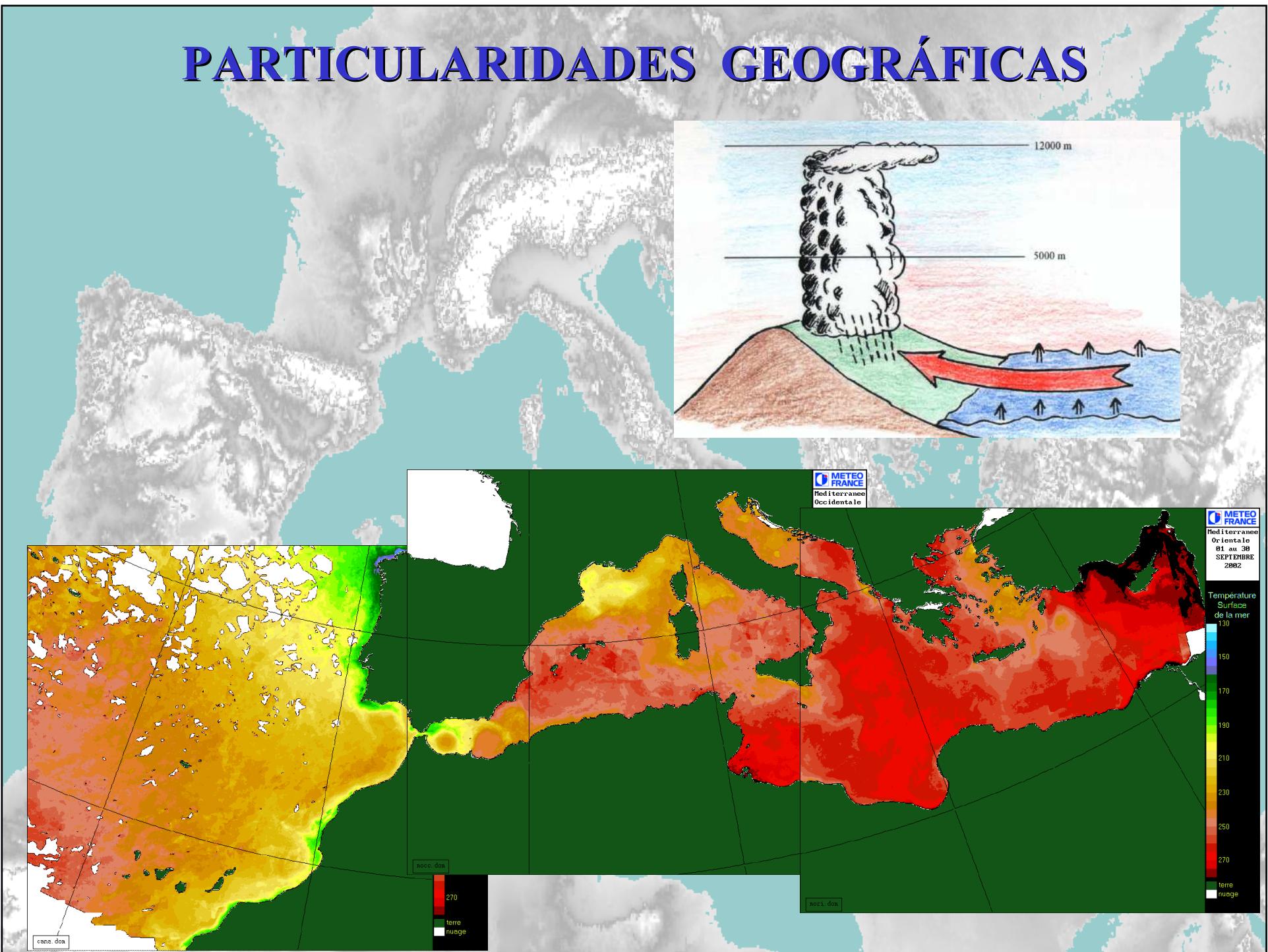
Romu Romero (Tema 5.2)



THE STUDY OF CYCLONES

- Observations (limited in number, space and time)
- Theory (requires simplifications)
- Experimentation (*Numerical Modeling*)

PARTICULARIDADES GEOGRÁFICAS





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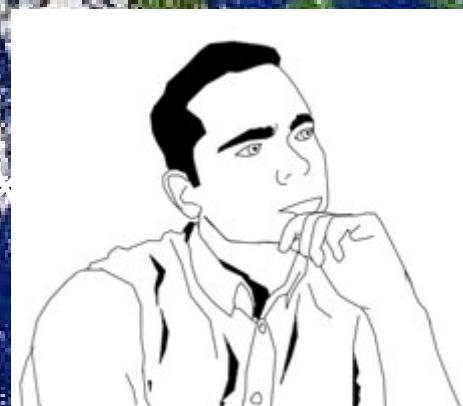
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2) *Ciclones extratropicales o de latitudes medias*

3) *Ciclones cuasitropicales o “medicanes”*

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2) *Ciclones ex*

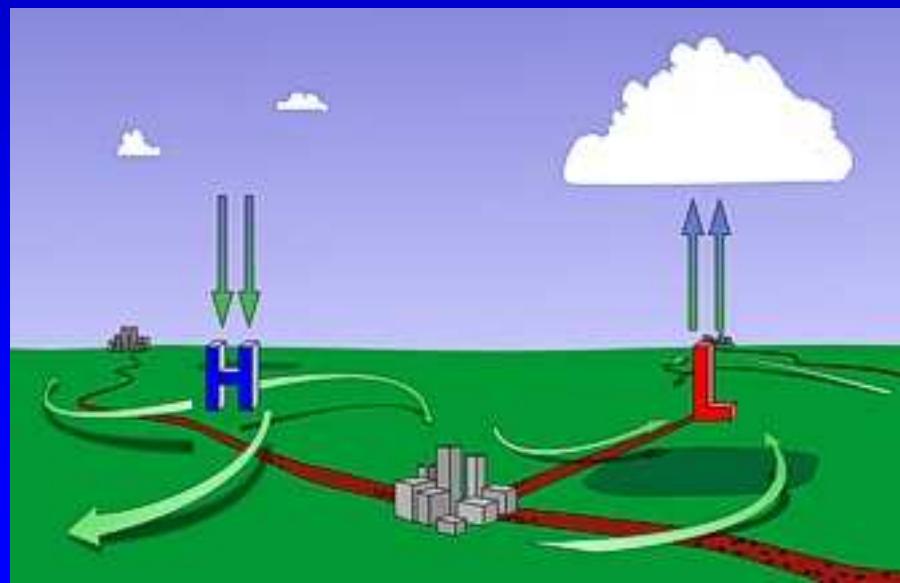
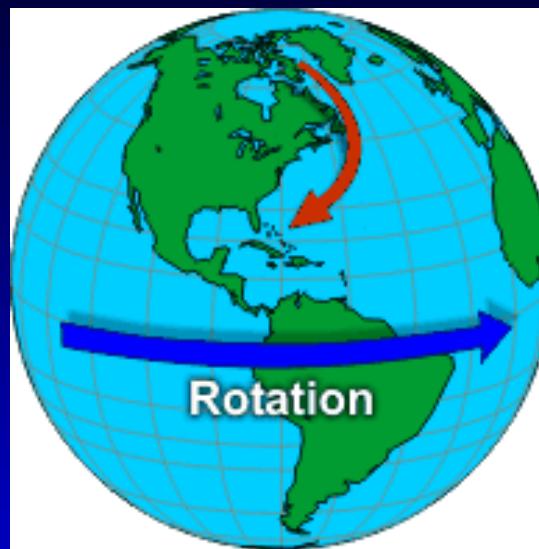
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3) *Ciclones cuasitropicales o "med*



EL PAPEL DEL CICLÓN

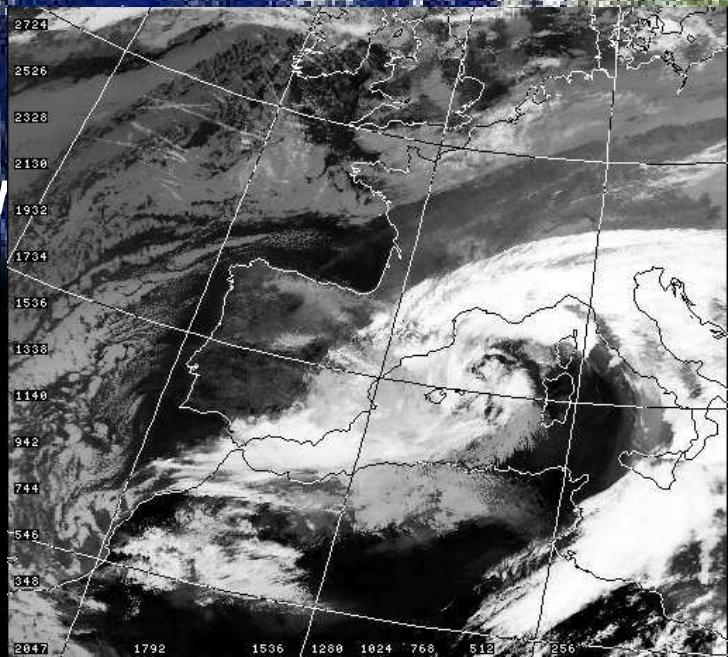


CICLONES

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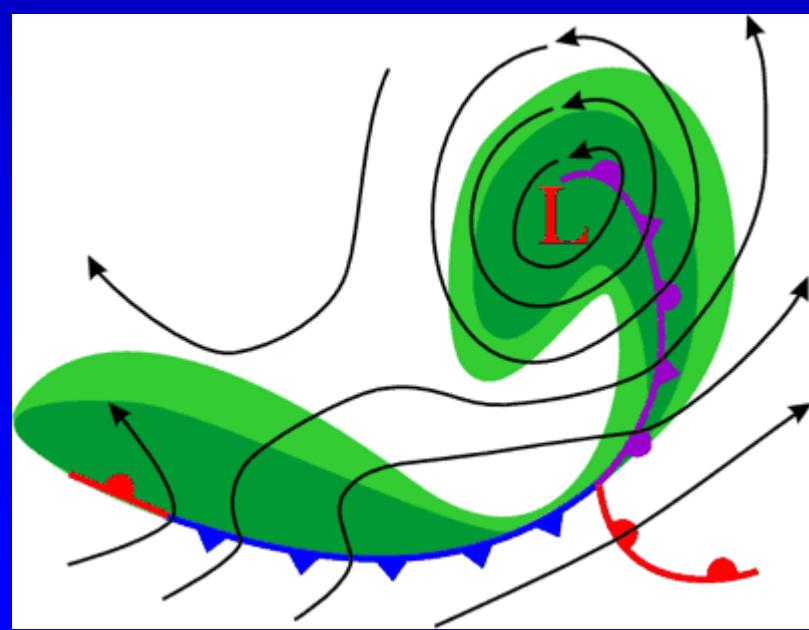
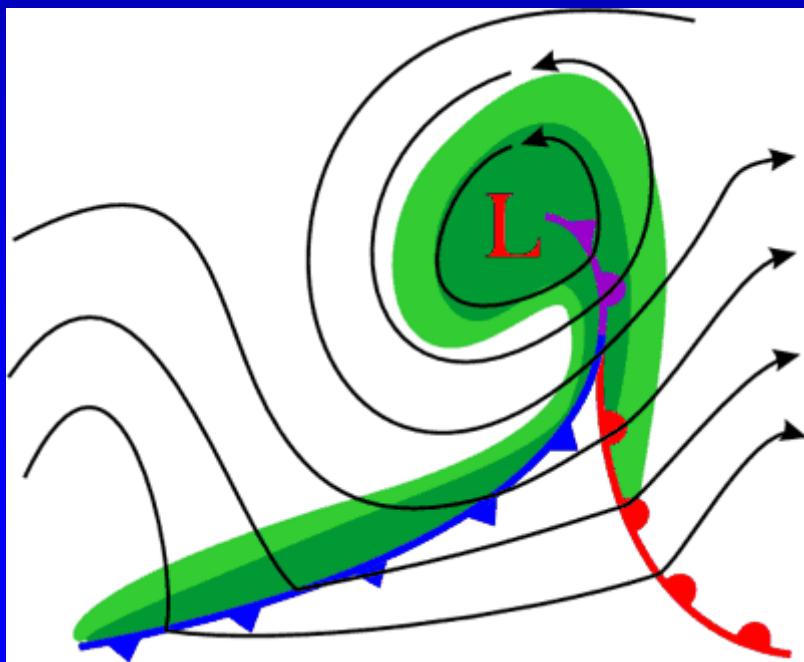
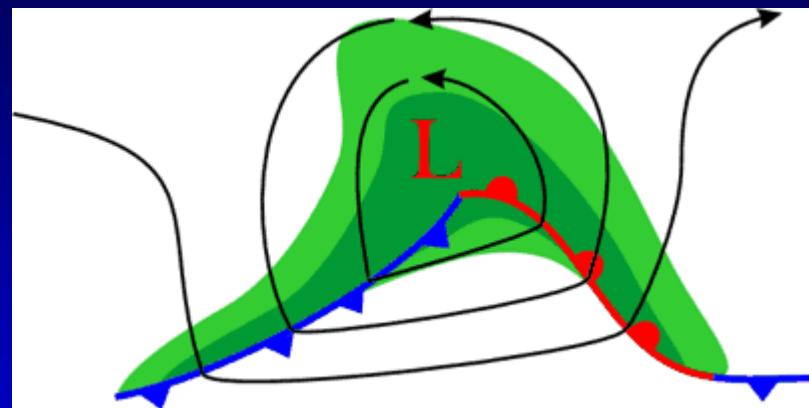
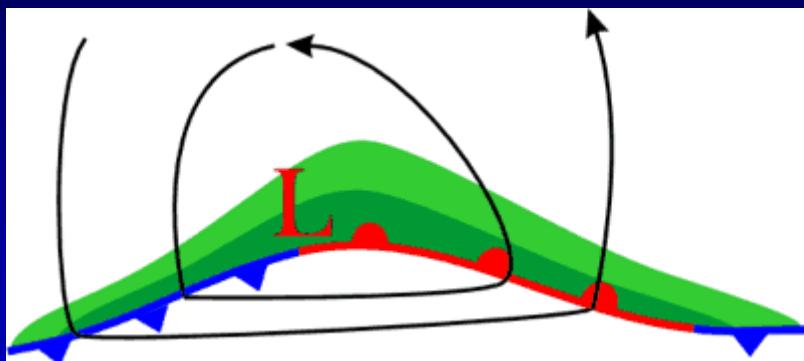
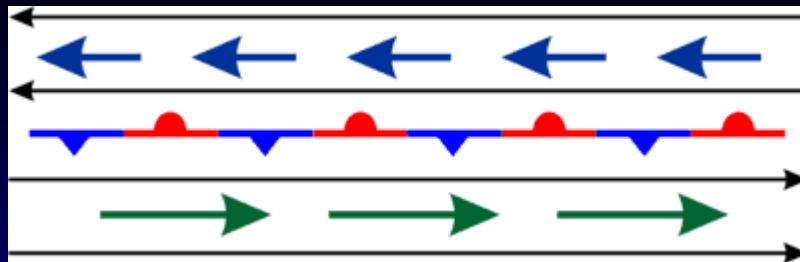
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3) Ciclones tropicales o “huracanes”



“huracanes”

Inestabilidad Barooclina



An example: The November 2001 superstorm

Mid-Upper levels (H 500 / T 500)



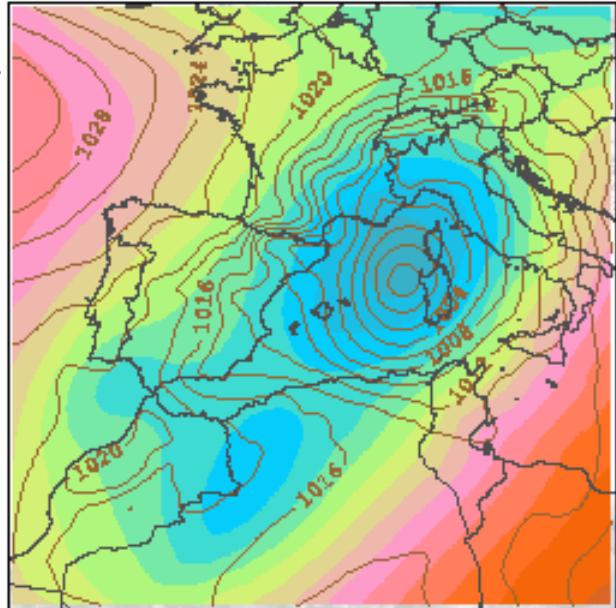
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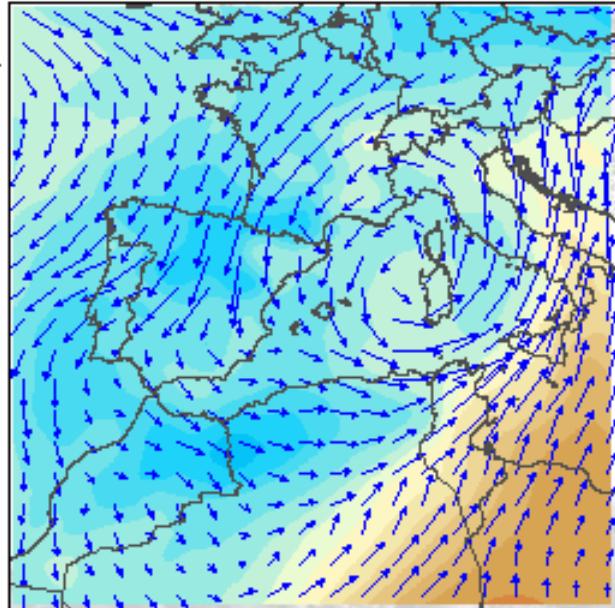


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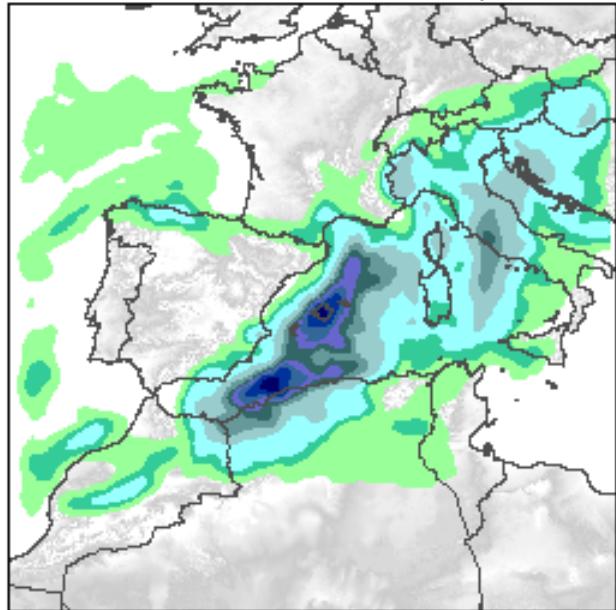
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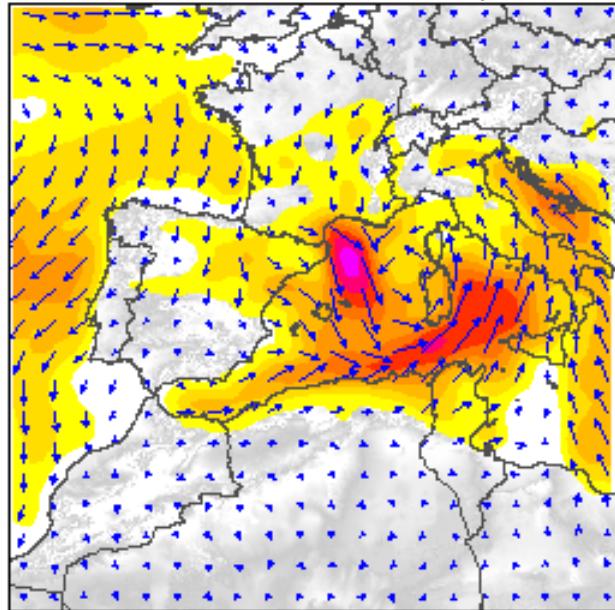


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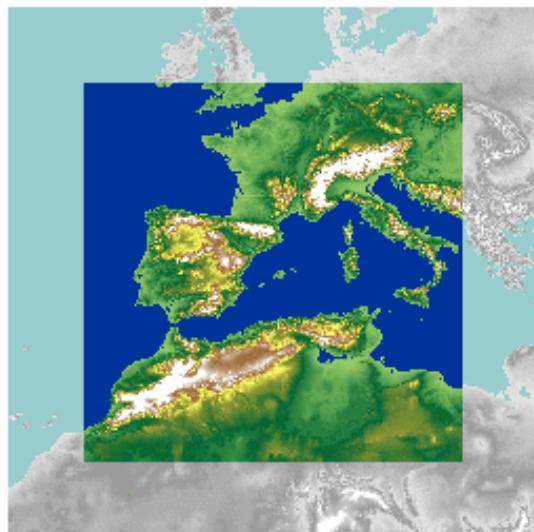


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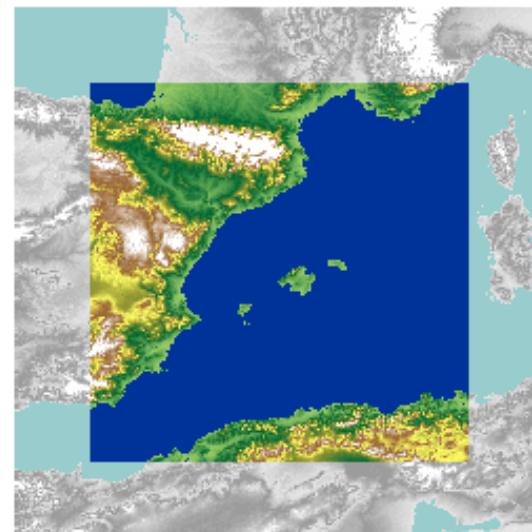


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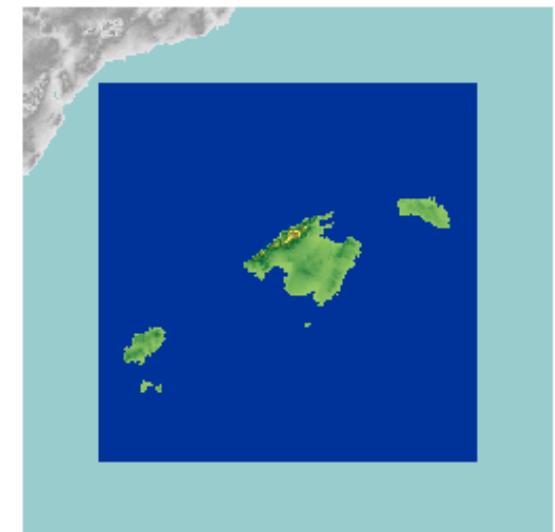
- *Multiscale* perspective of cyclone structure



DOMAIN 1 (22.5 km resolution)



DOMAIN 2 (7.5 km resolution)



DOMAIN 3 (2.5 km resolution)

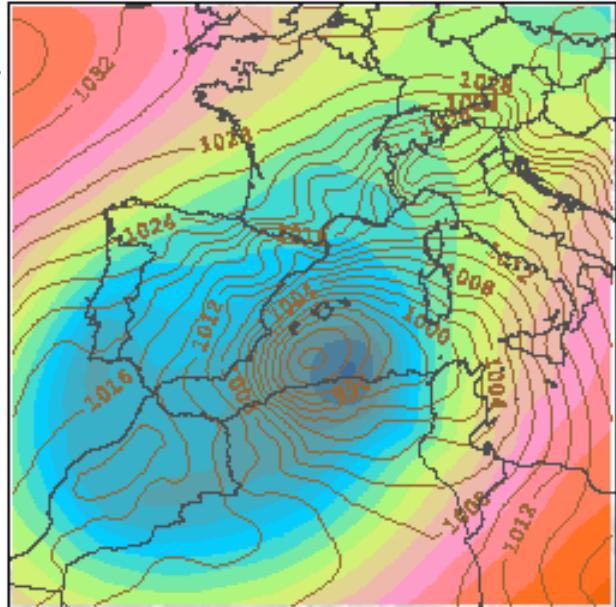
- Realistic *physical processes* parameterized

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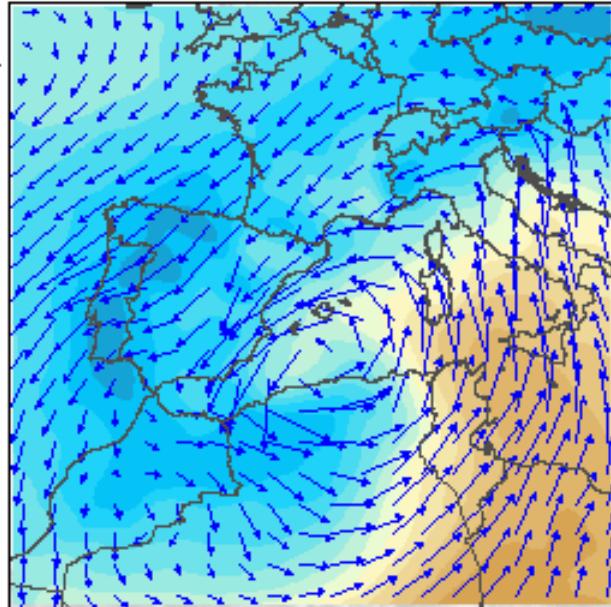


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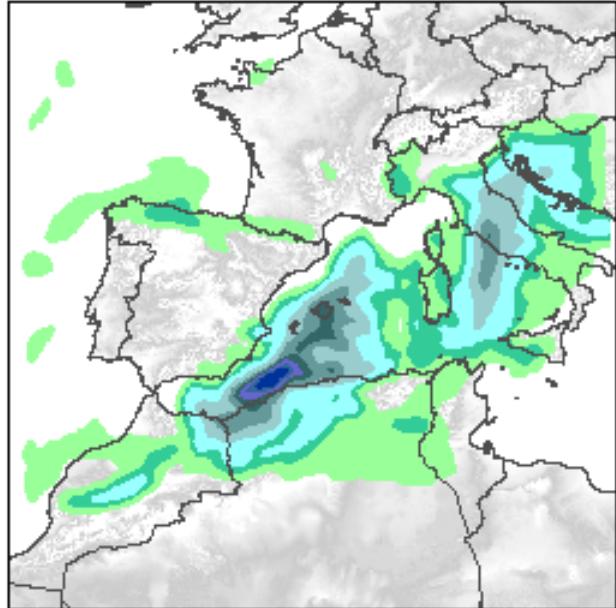
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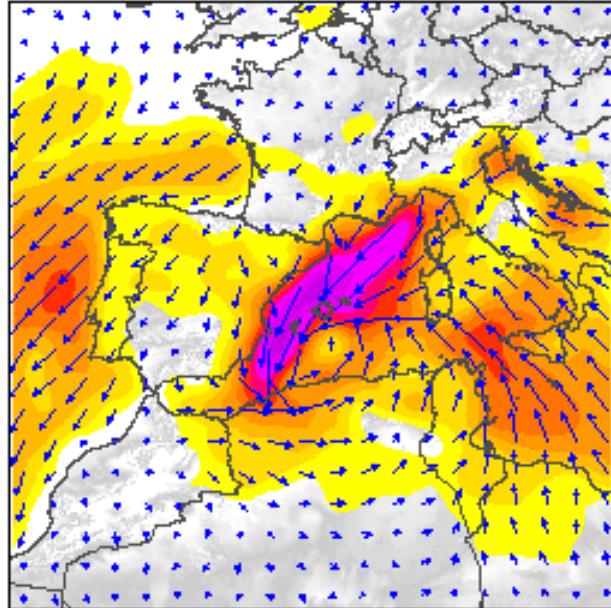


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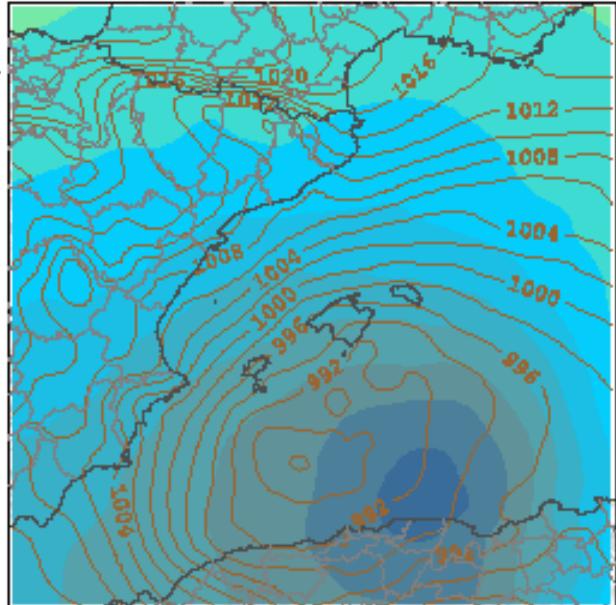


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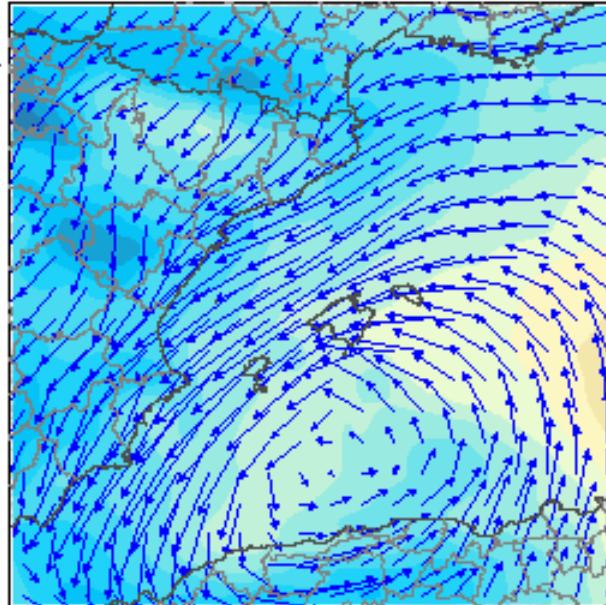
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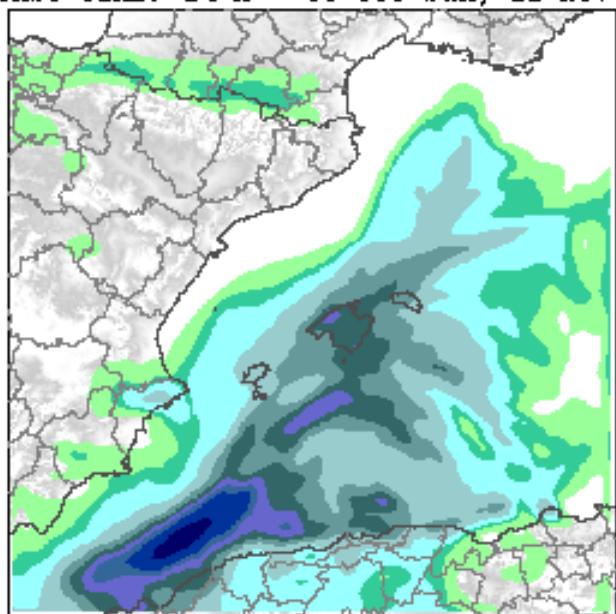
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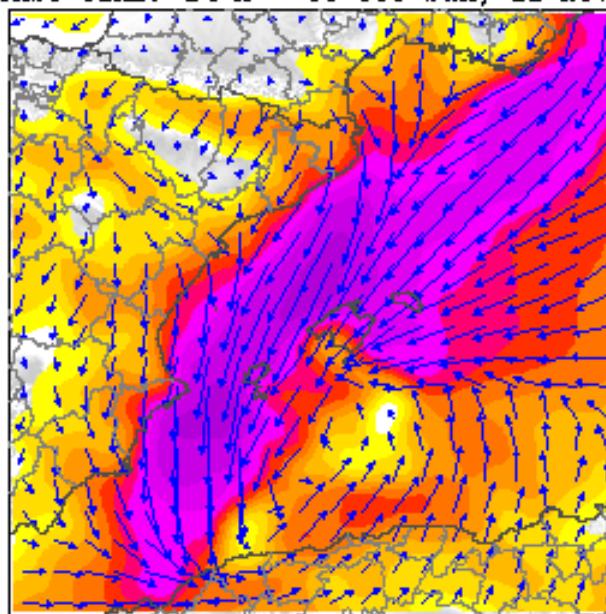
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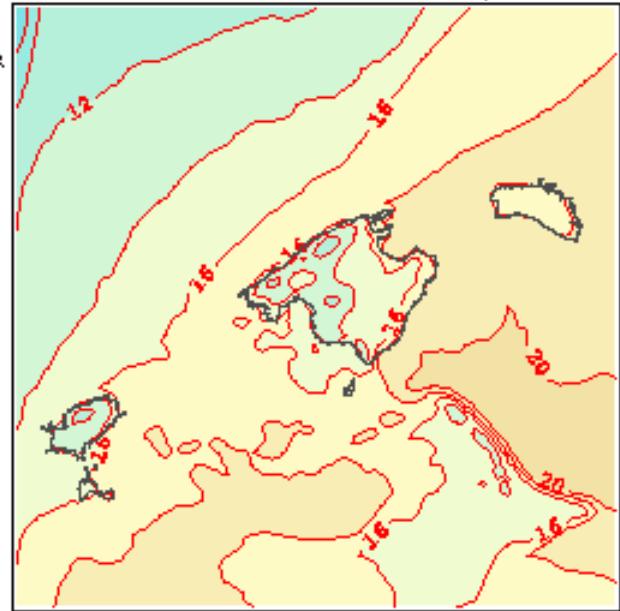


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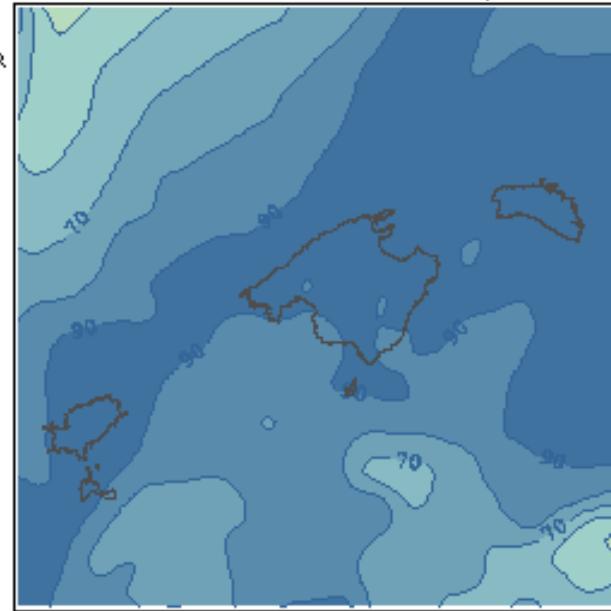
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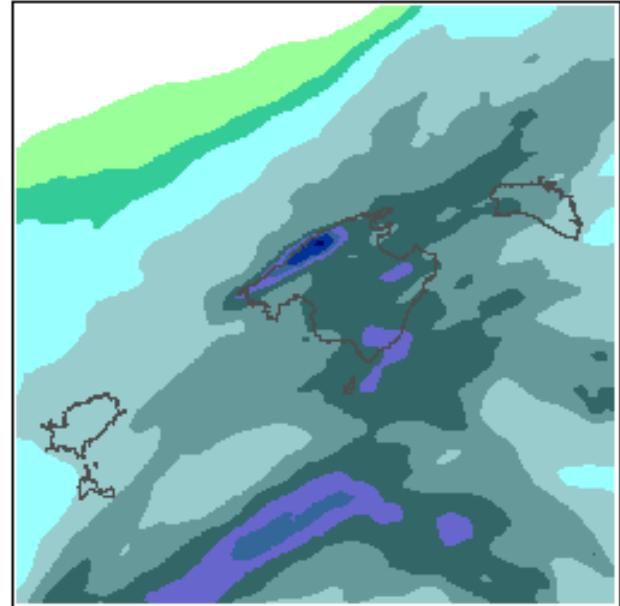
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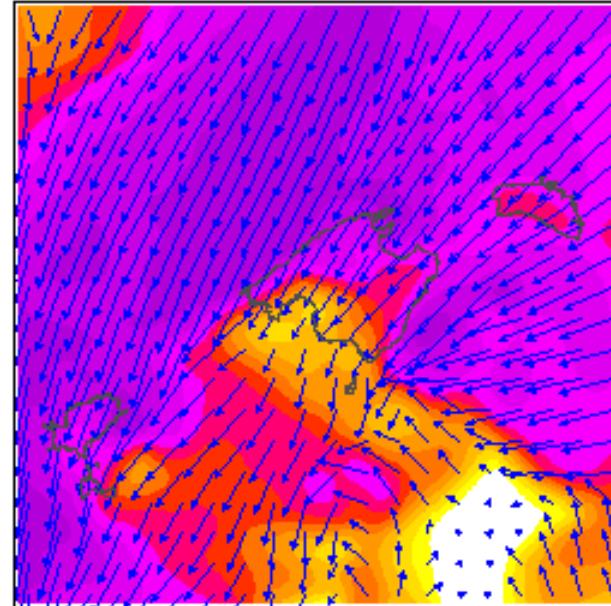
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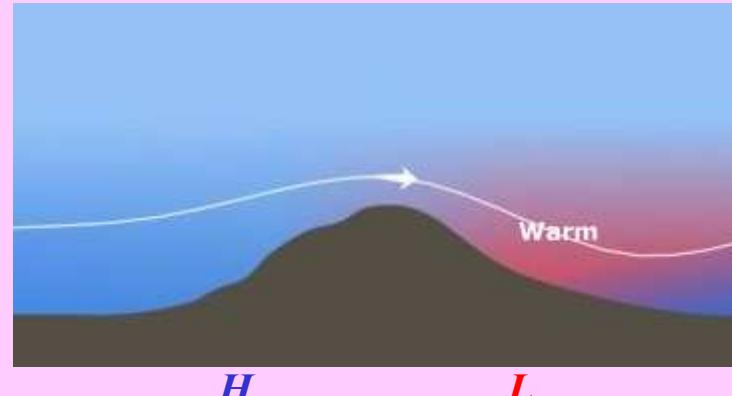
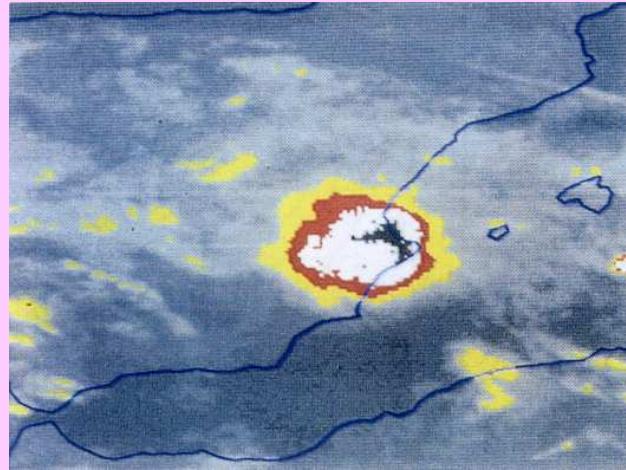
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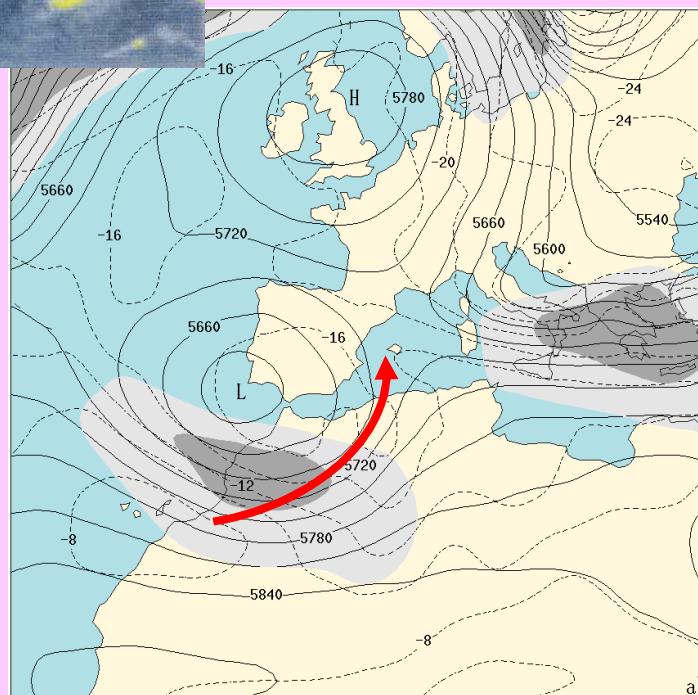
GANDÍA (3-4 Nov. 1987)

MCS (33 h)

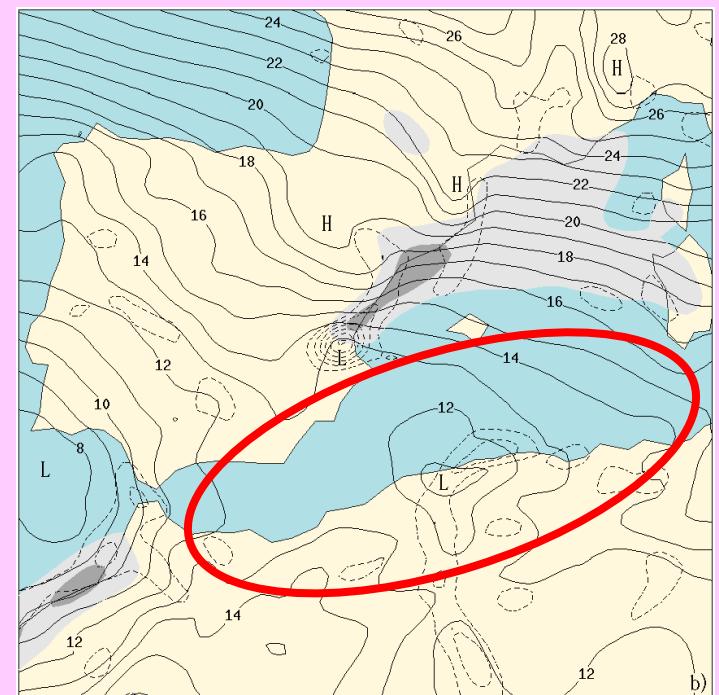
Circular shape (~200 km diameter)
>800 mm / 36 h in Gandía



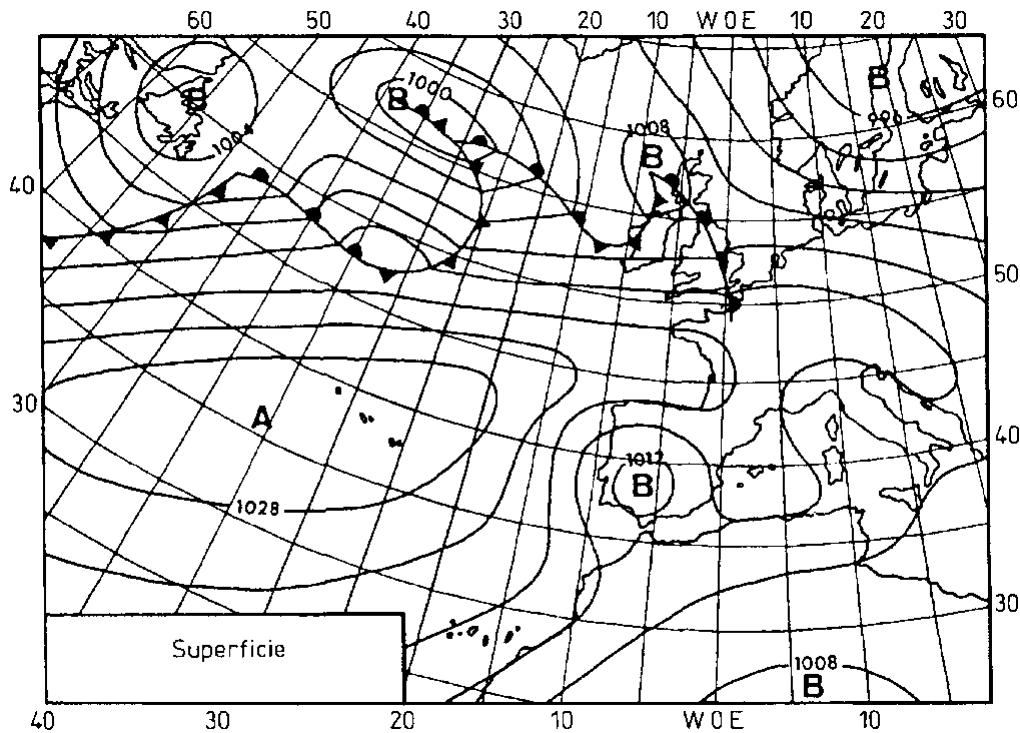
Bajas orográficas
de sotavento



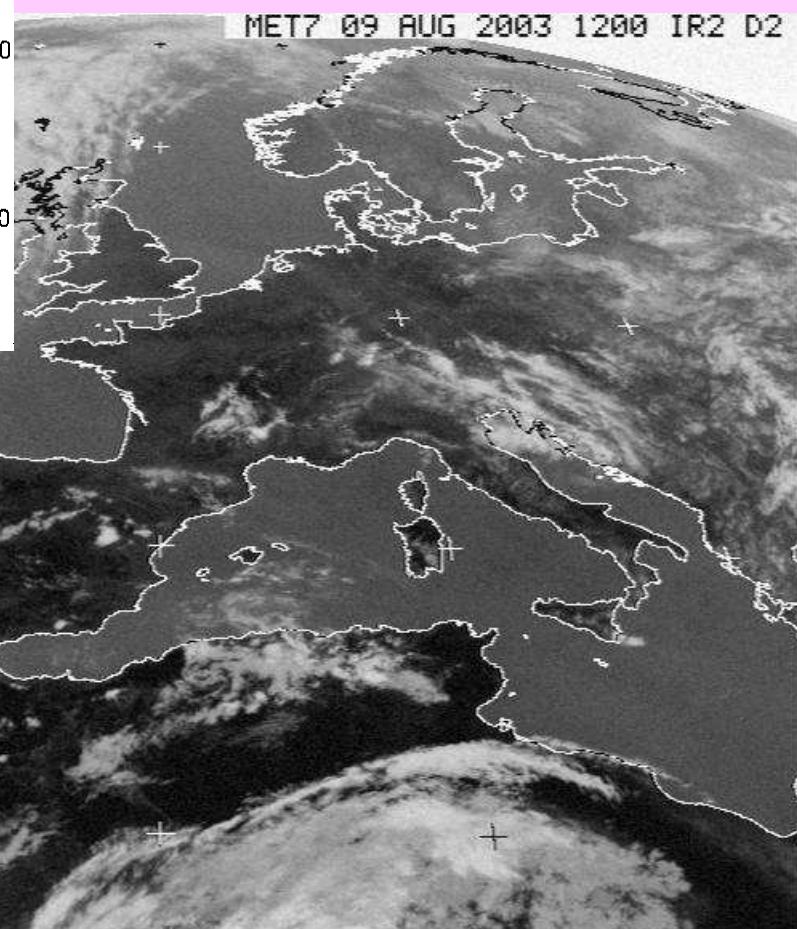
MID- UPPER LEVELS



LOW LEVELS

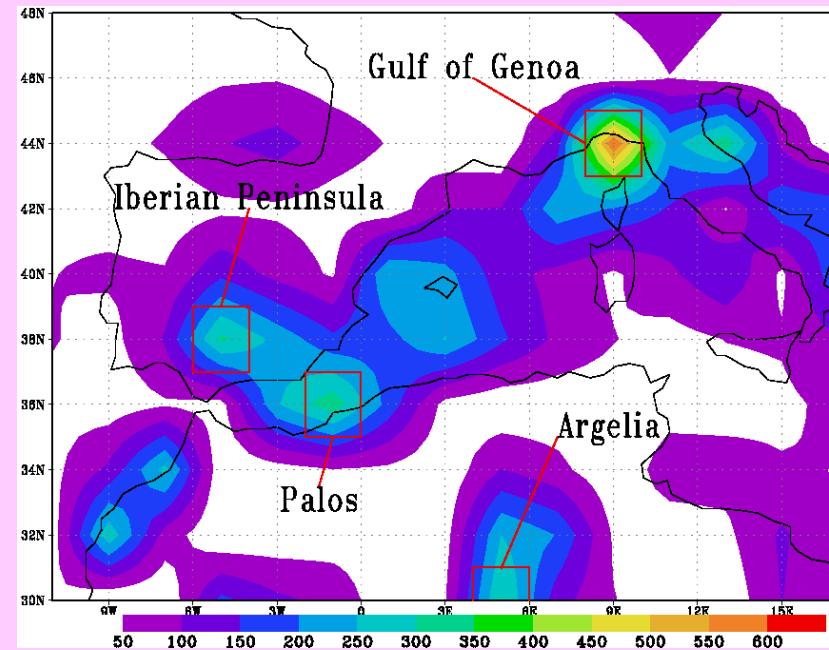


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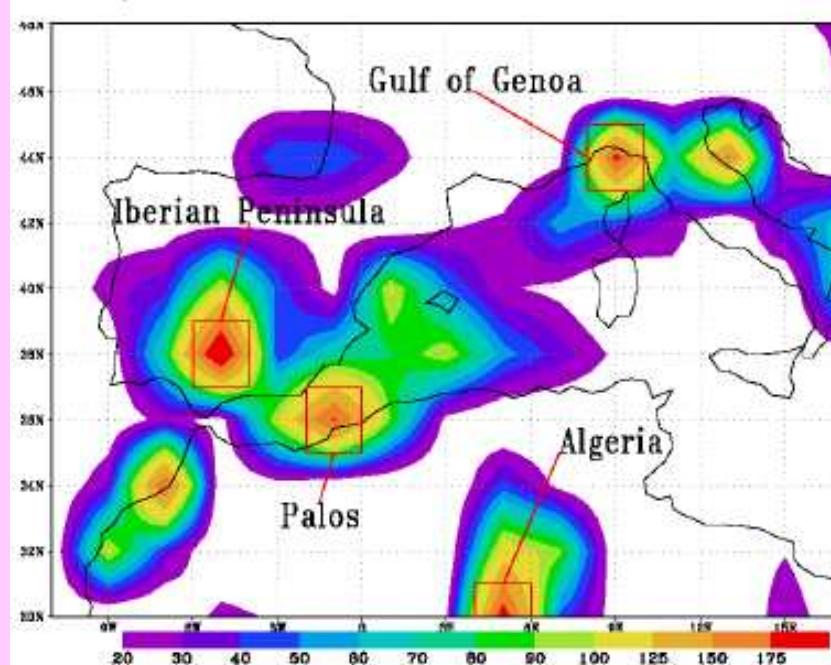
Source: INM – Balears

NUMBER OF CYCLONES
(June 1995 – May 2002)

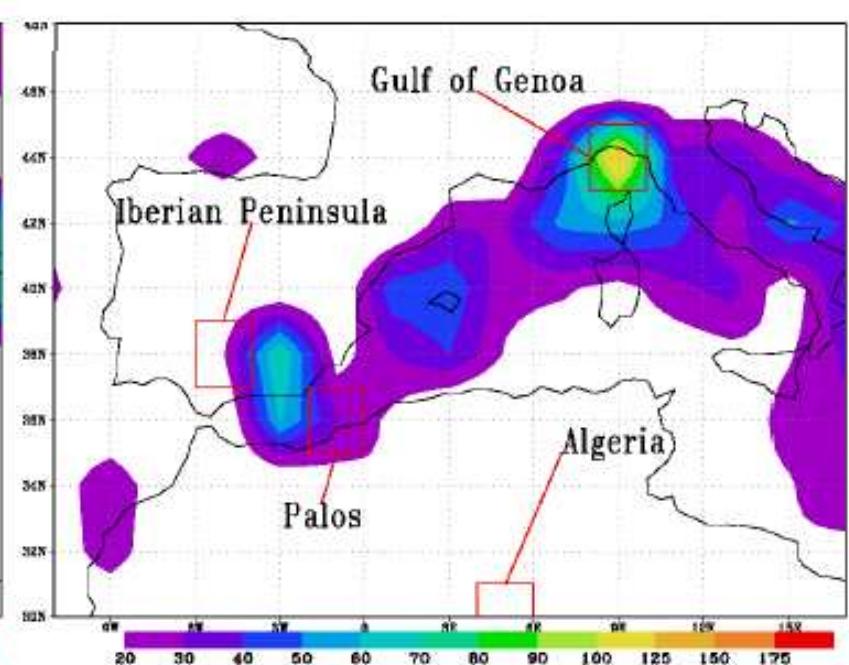


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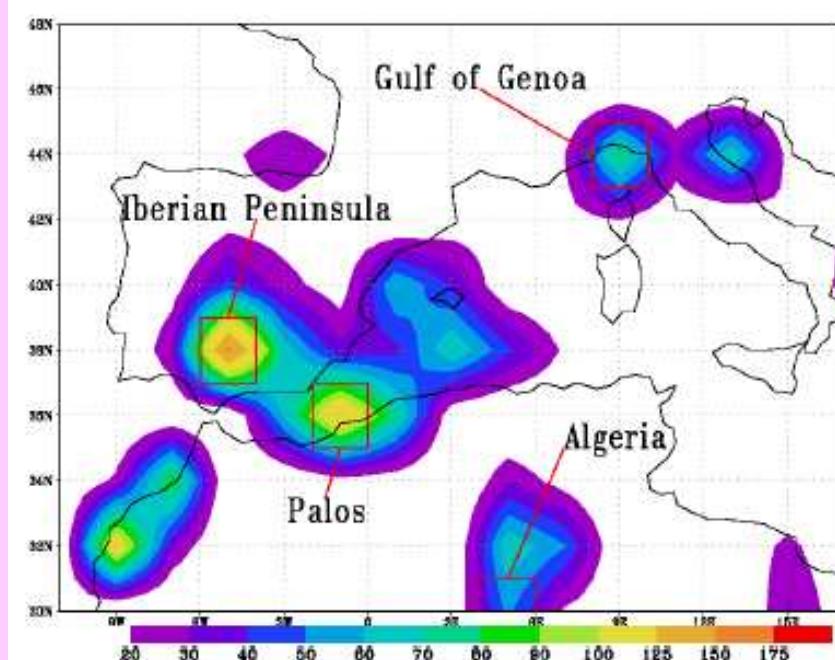
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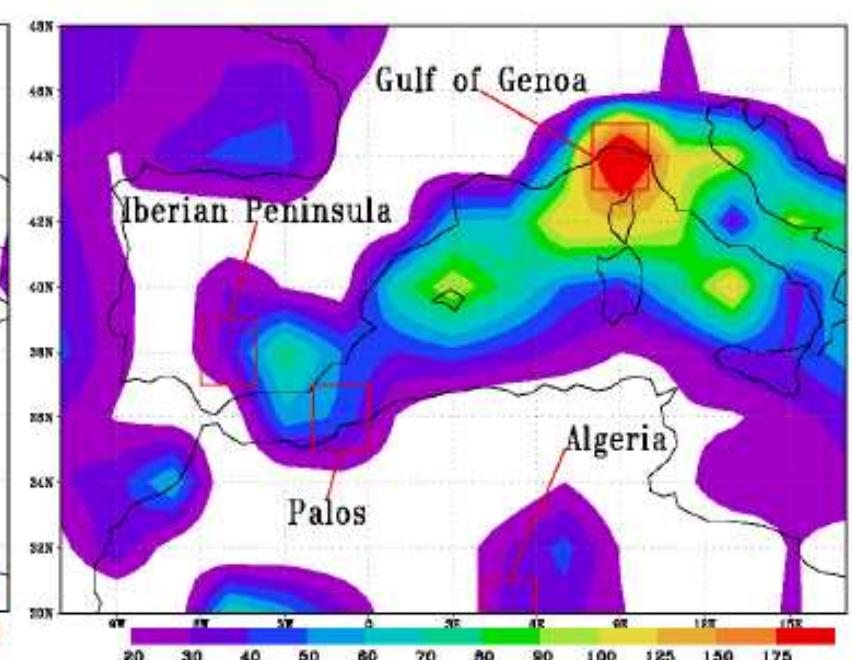
Winter



Shallow (1000-925 hPa)

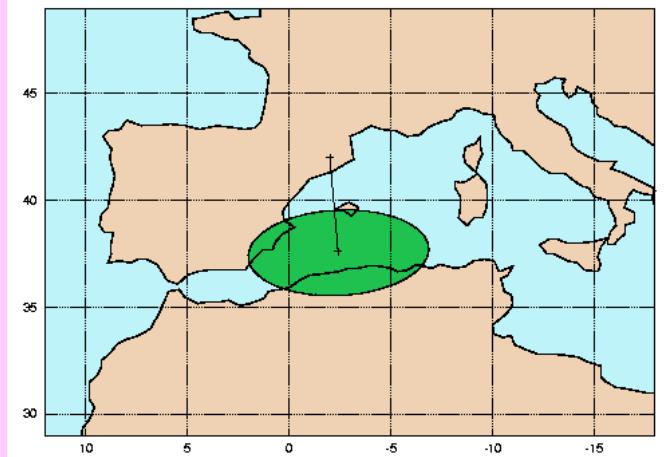


Deep (1000-300 hPa)

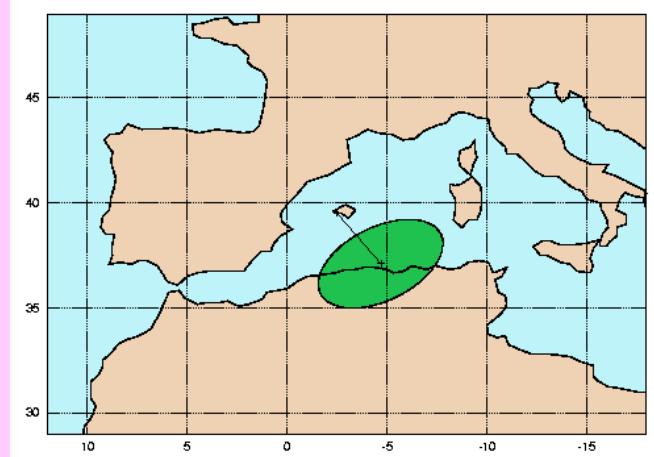


	<i>Summer</i>	<i>Autumn</i>	<i>Winter</i>	<i>Spring</i>	<i>G Genoa</i>	<i>Palos</i>	<i>Iberian</i>	<i>Algeria</i>
<i>Shallow</i>	70.5	43.6	31.8	46.3	41.9	79.6	80.7	79.0
<i>Medium</i>	9.5	12.1	11.7	12.1	14.6	6.0	8.4	9.5
<i>Deep</i>	20.0	44.3	56.5	41.6	43.5	14.4	10.9	11.5

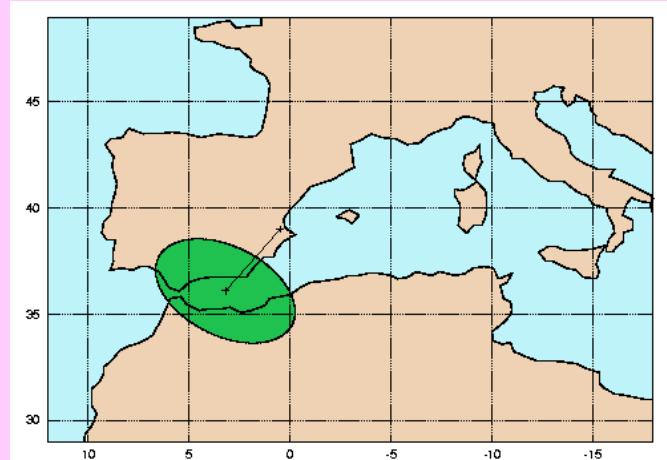
Simultaneity Cyclone-Heavy Rain



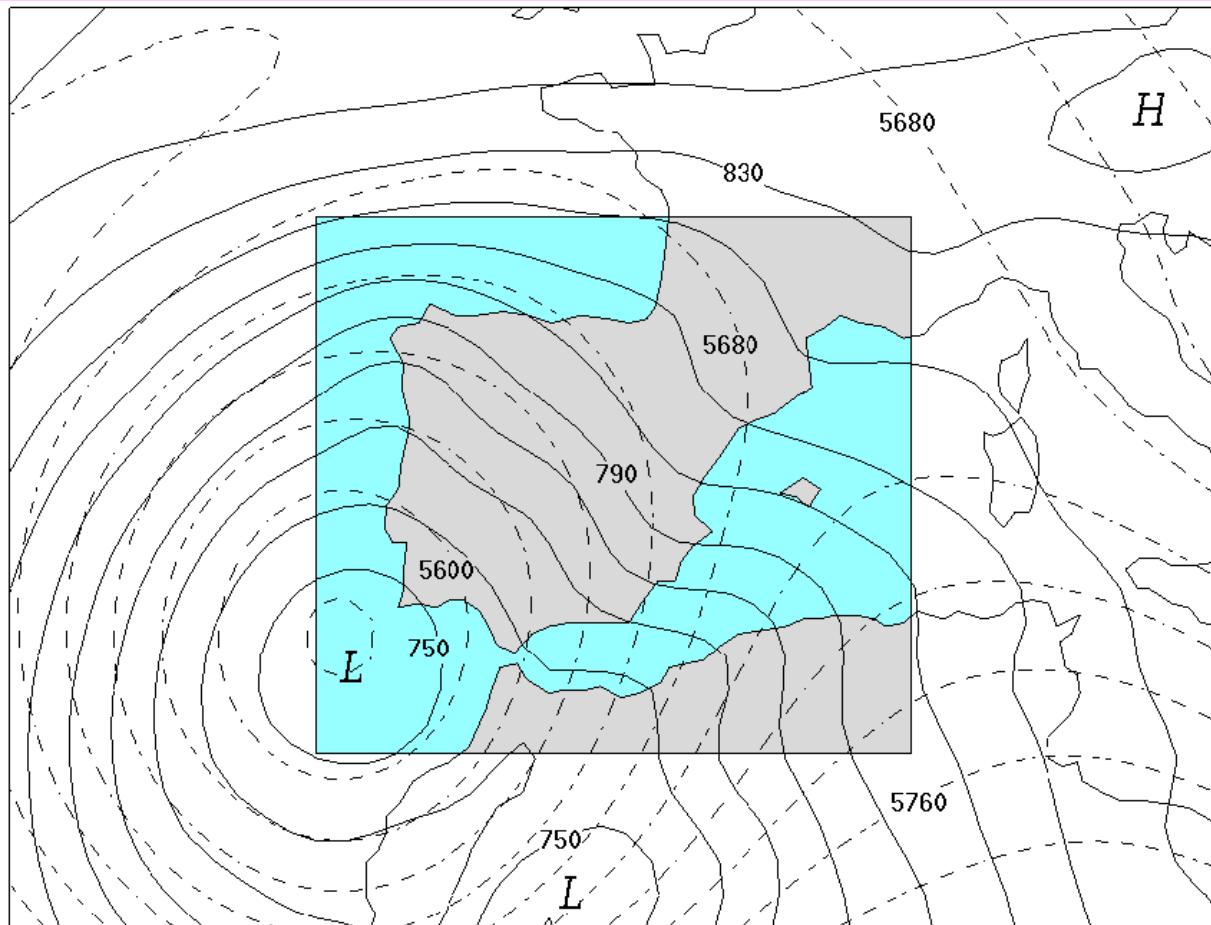
Catalonia



Balearic Islands

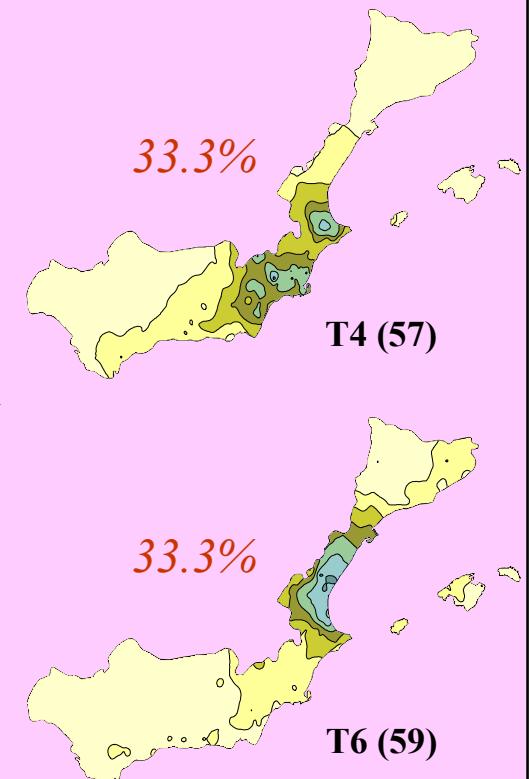


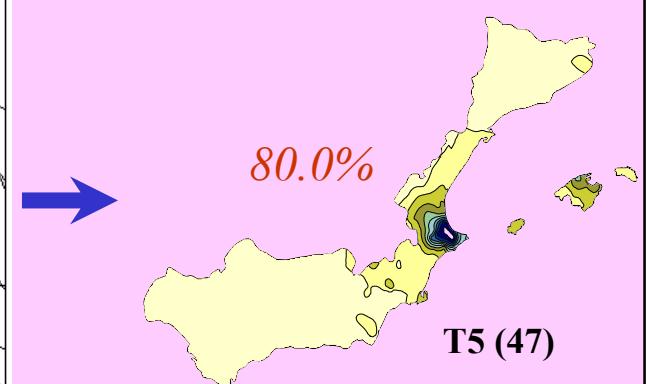
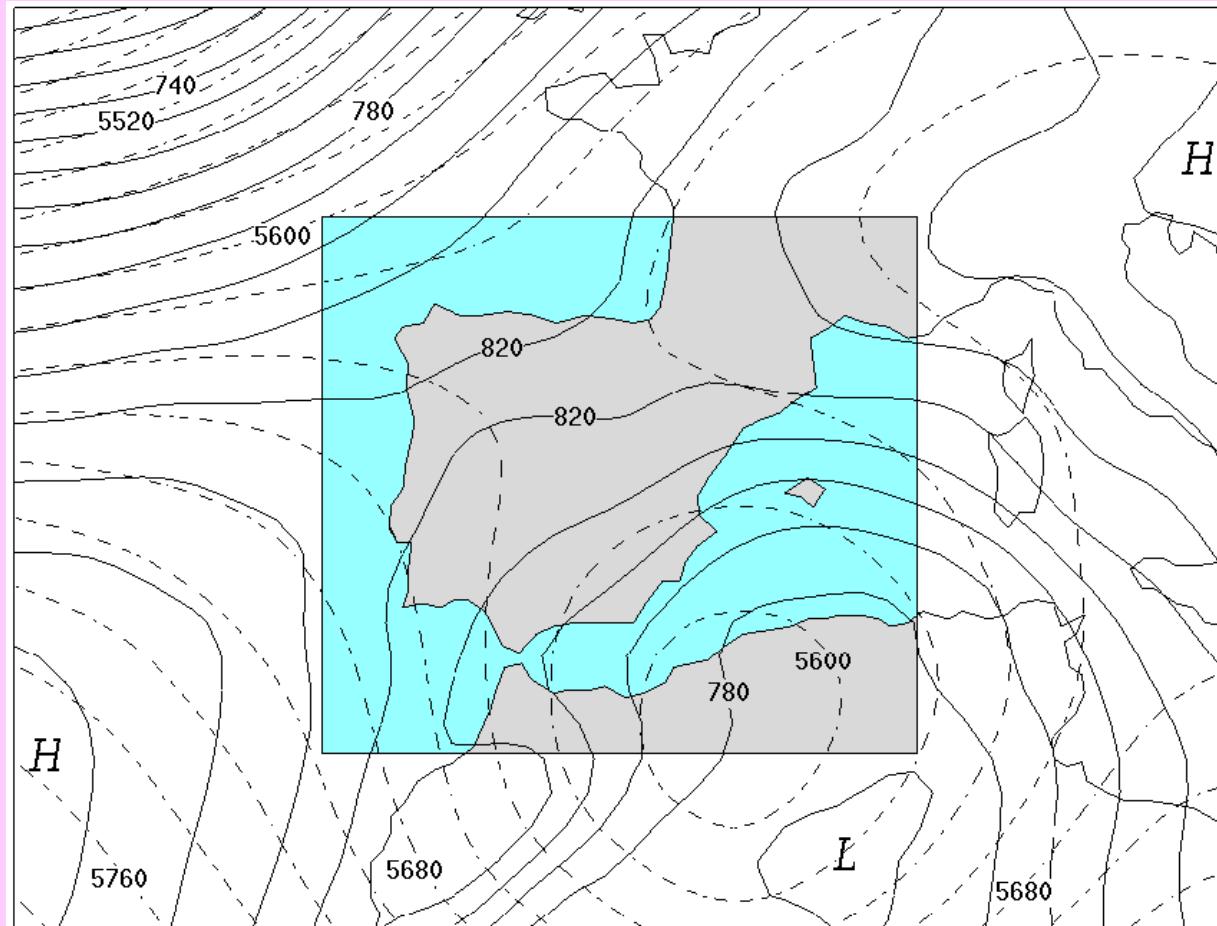
Valencia



AP6

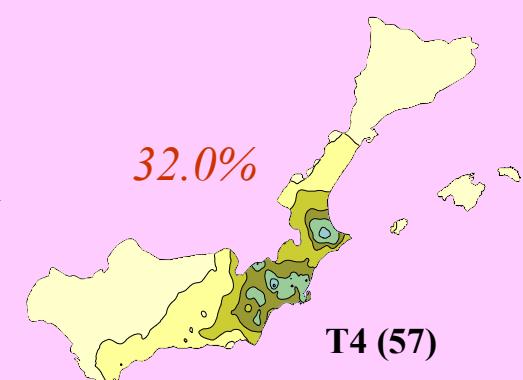
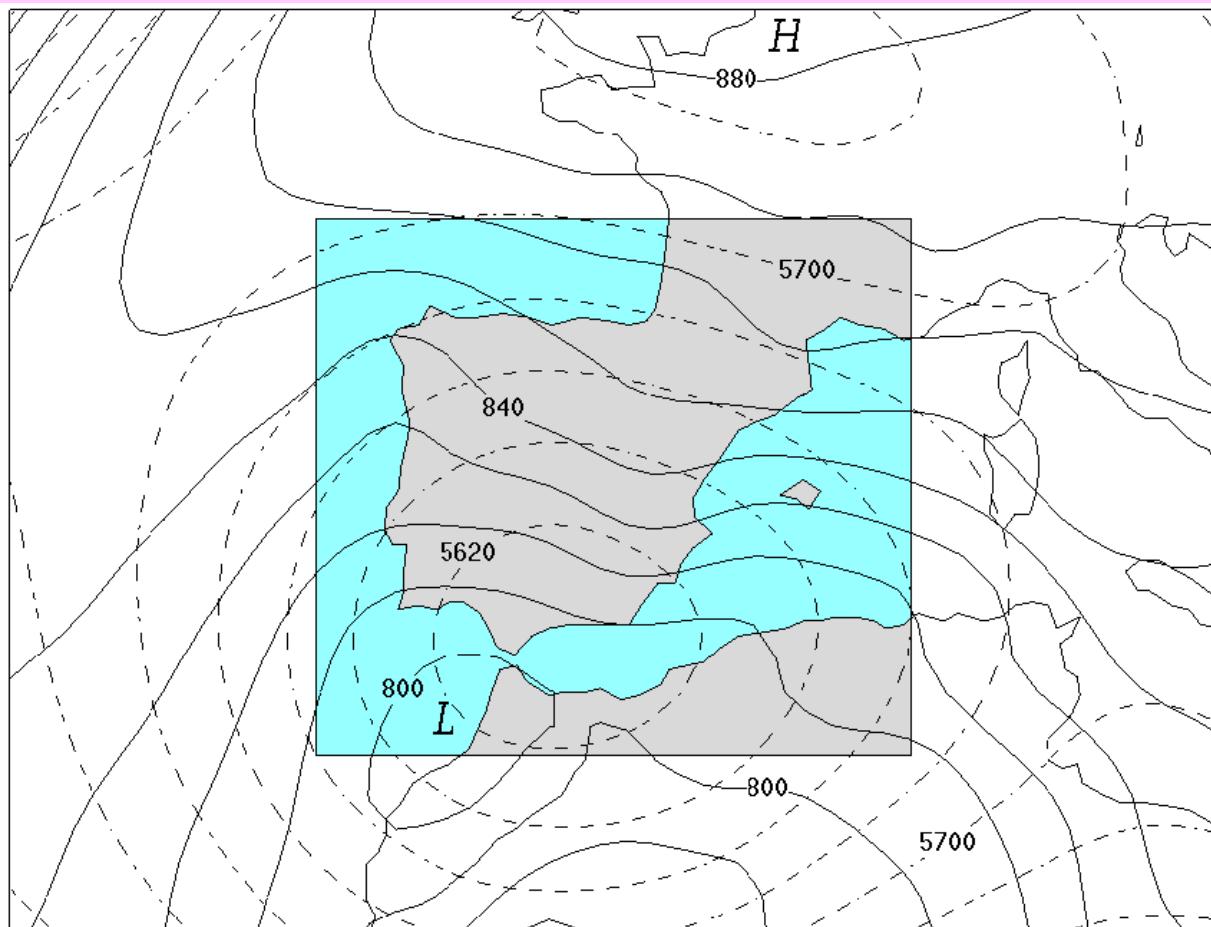
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Heavy 23.1%





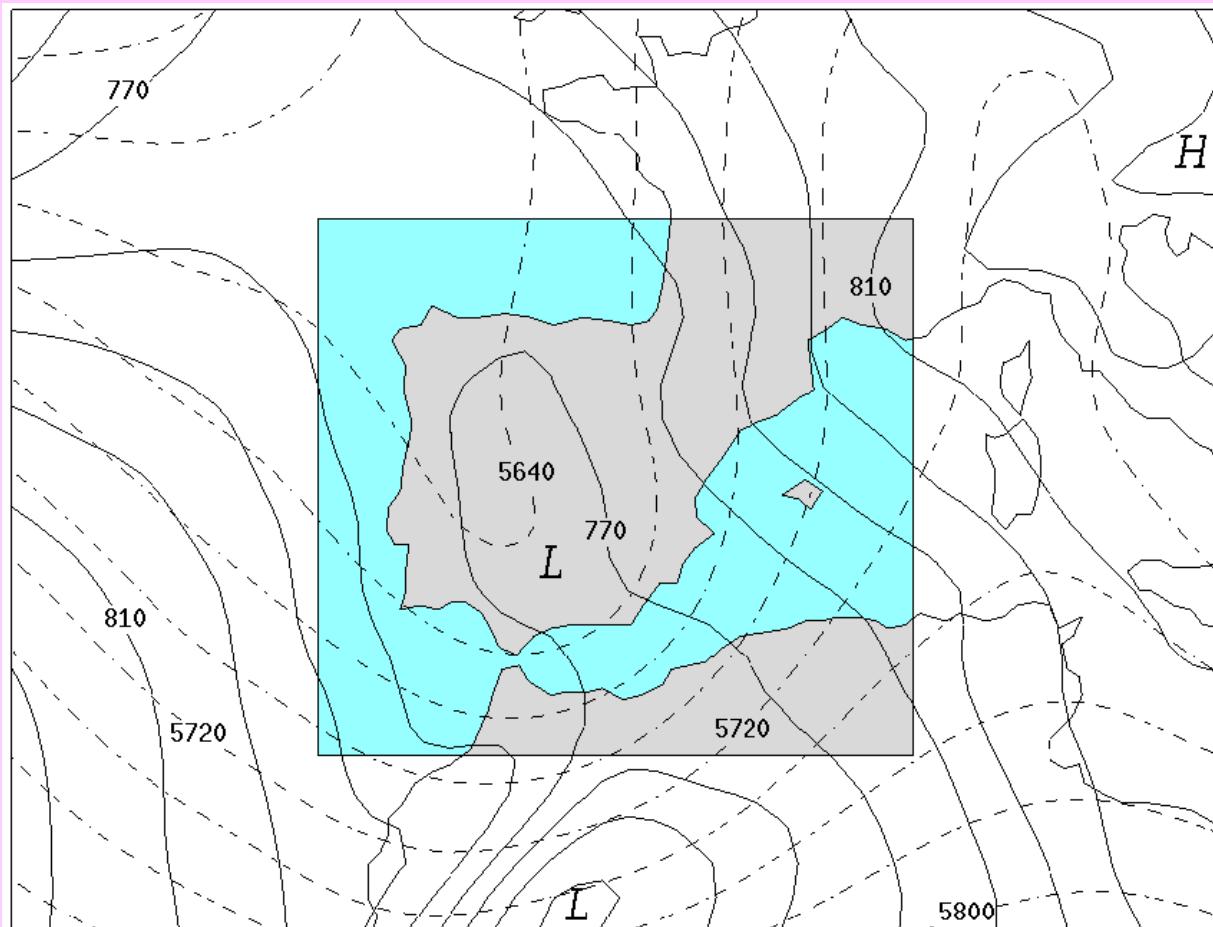
AP12

Win 47.8% - Aut 34.8%
Heavy 21.7%



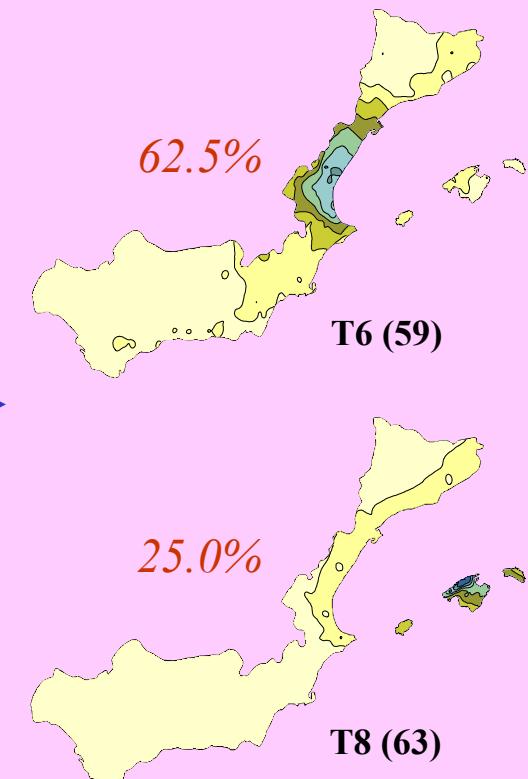
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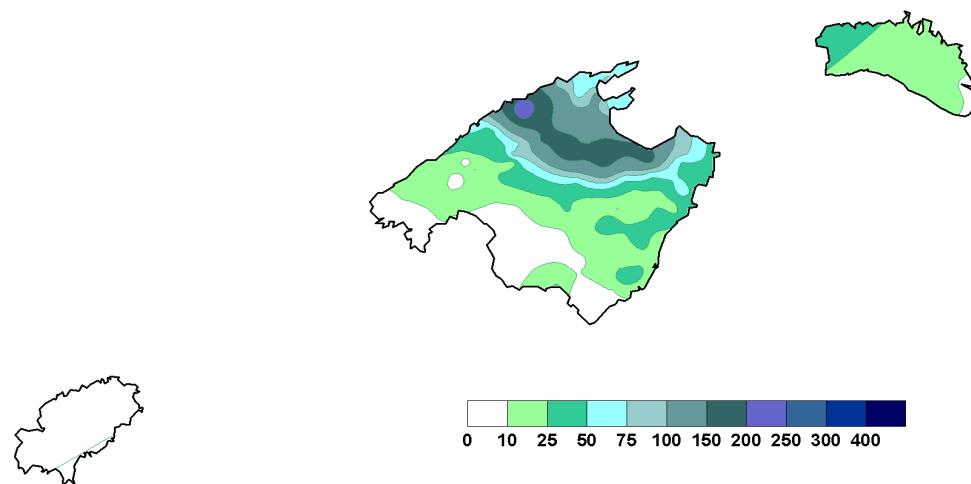
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Aut 40.0% - Spr 32.0%
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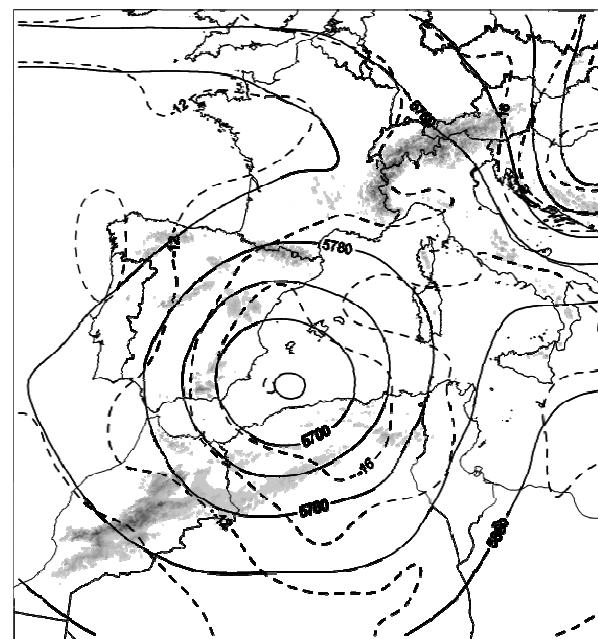


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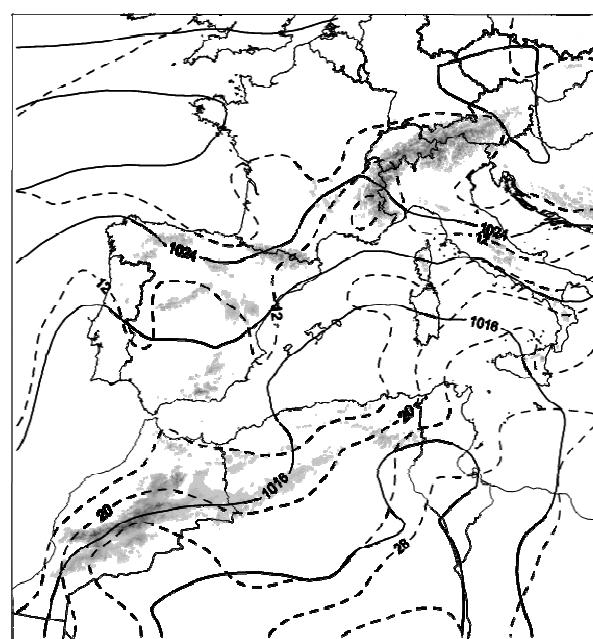
OBSERVED (9-10 Oct 1990)



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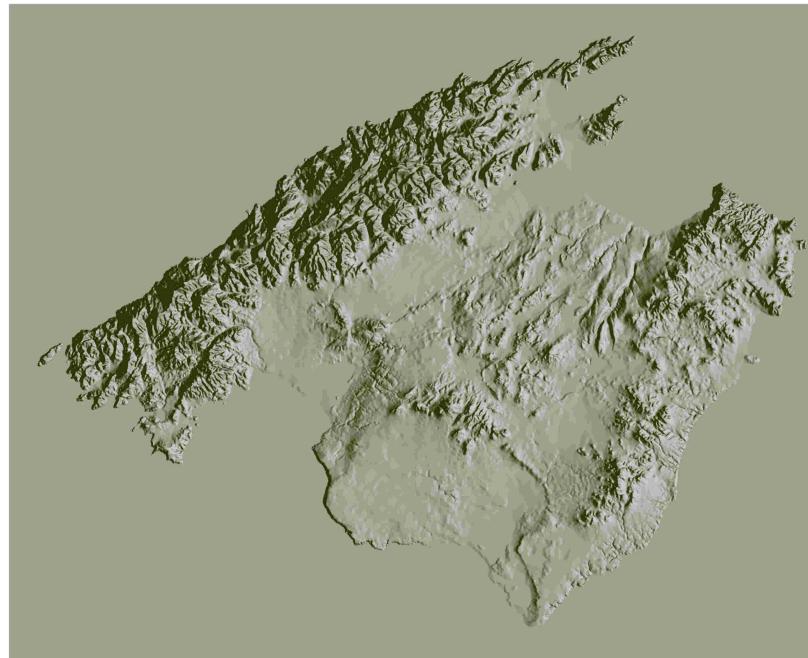
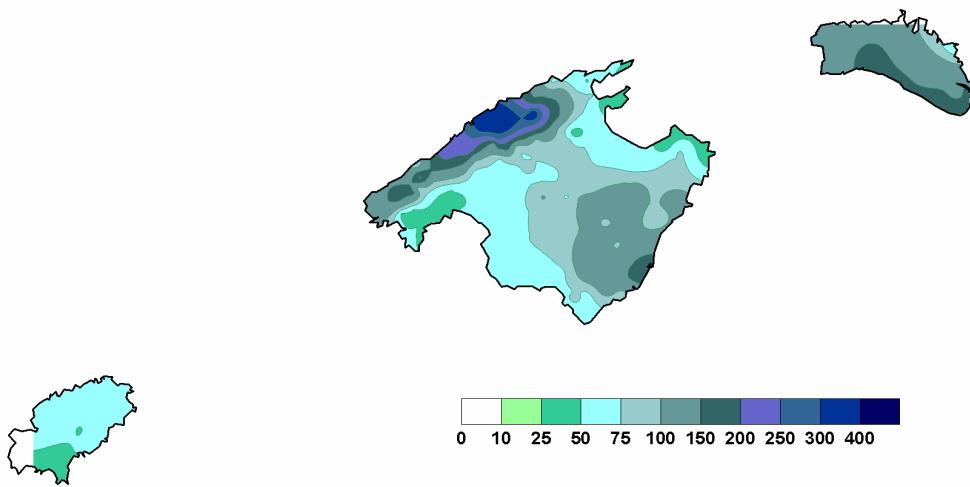


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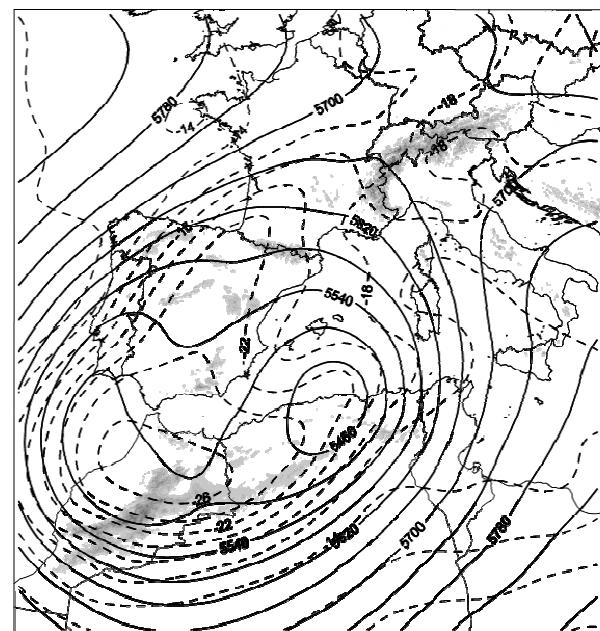


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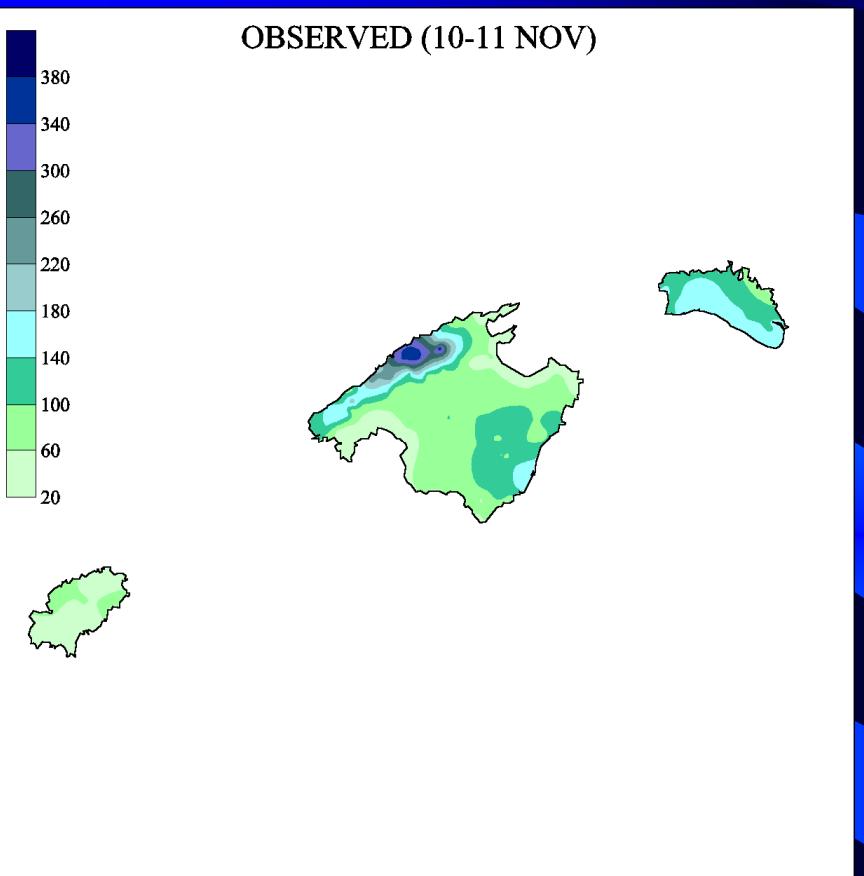
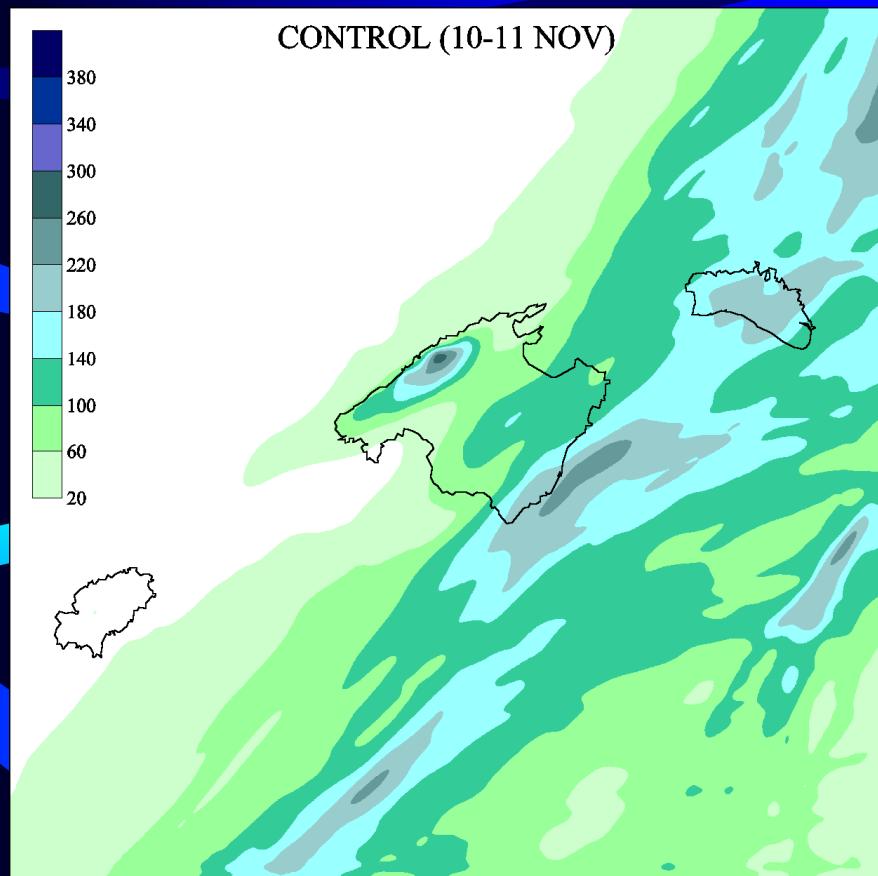


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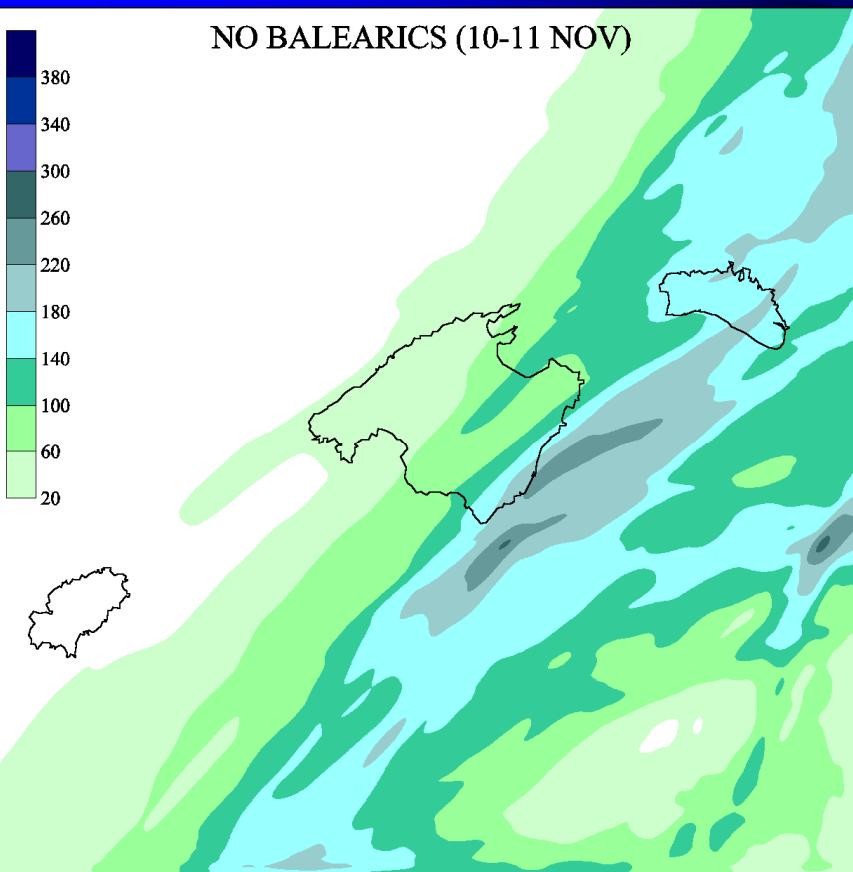
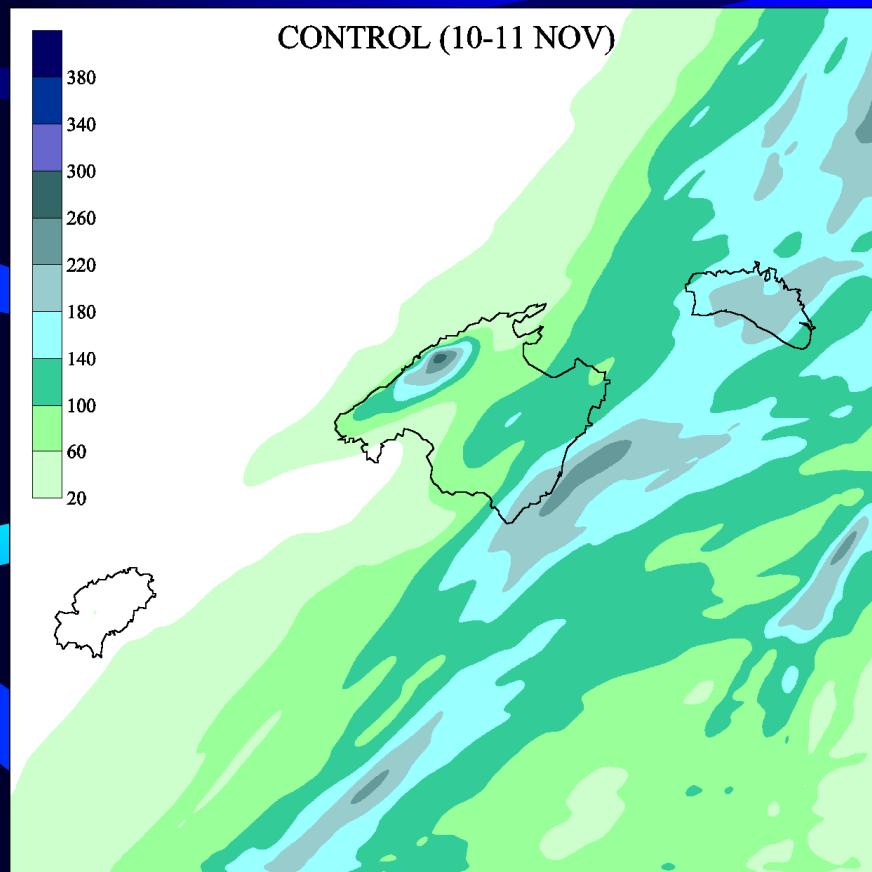
2-km CONTROL
(MM5 simulation)

Observed rainfall
(Instituto Nacional de
Meteorología)



2-km CONTROL
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2-km No ORO
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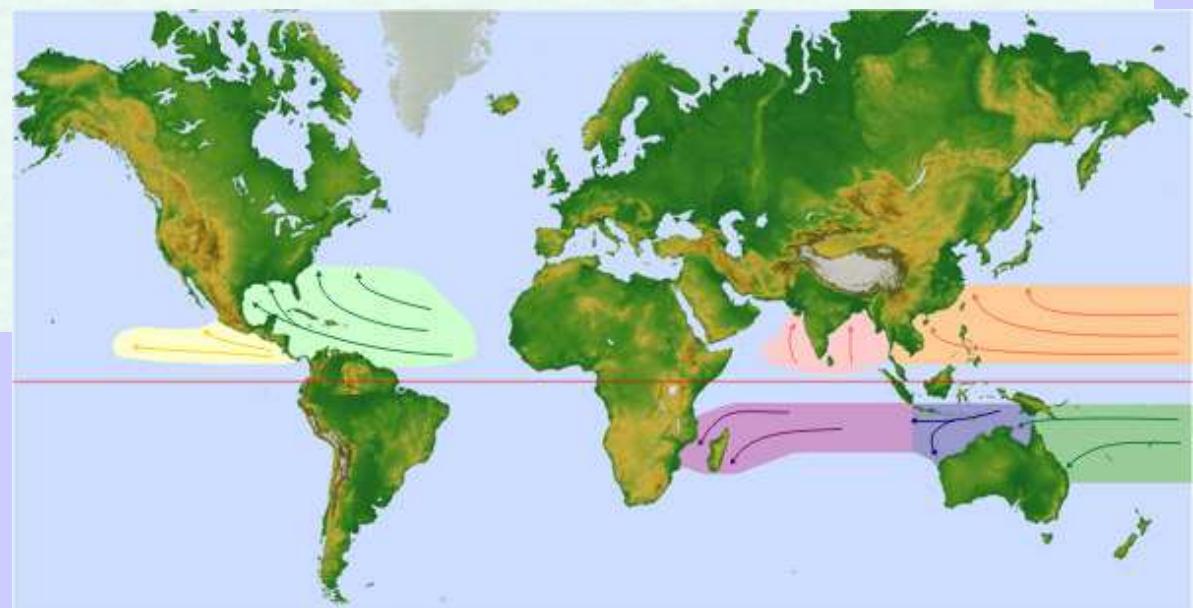
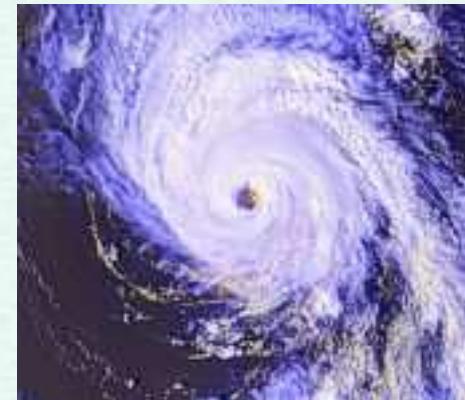
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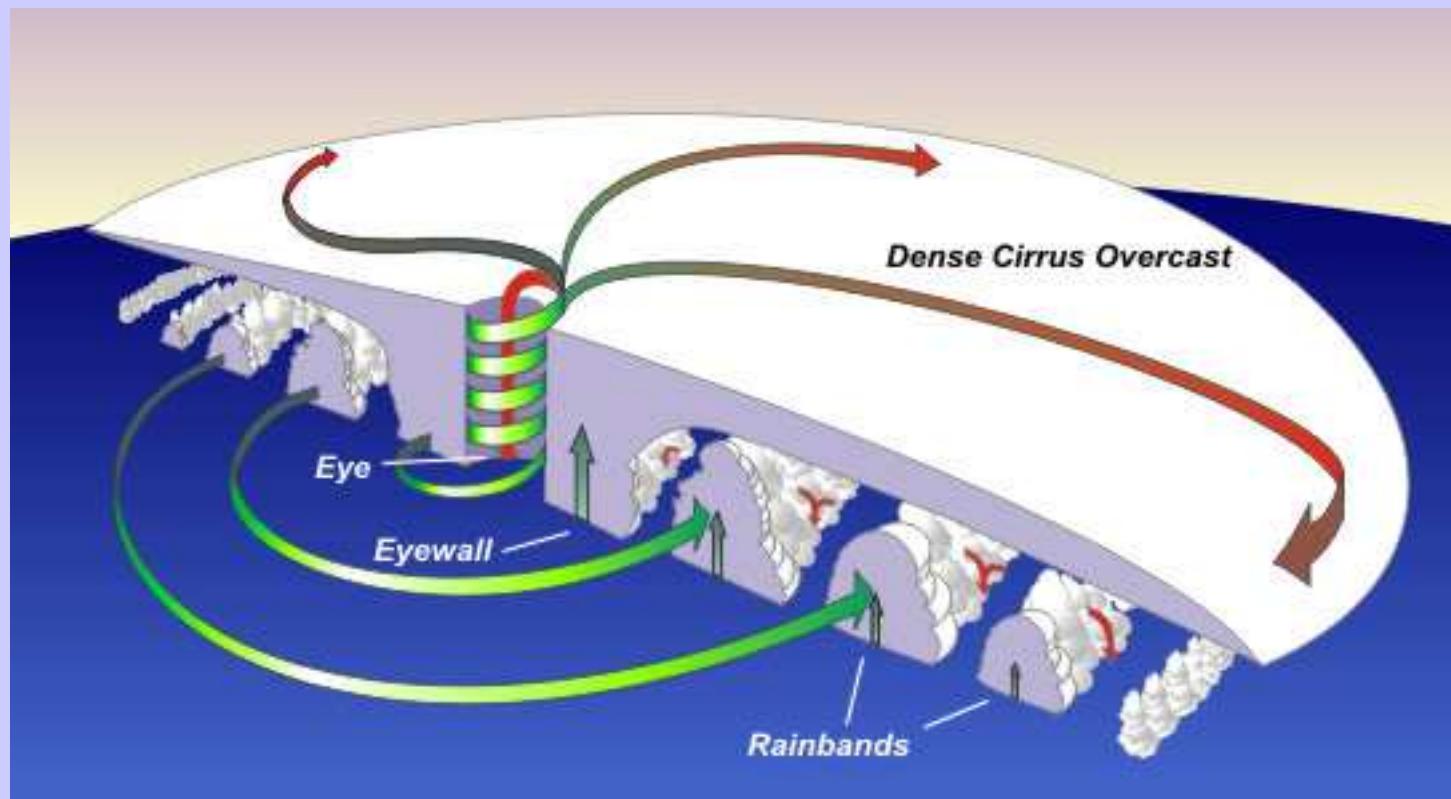
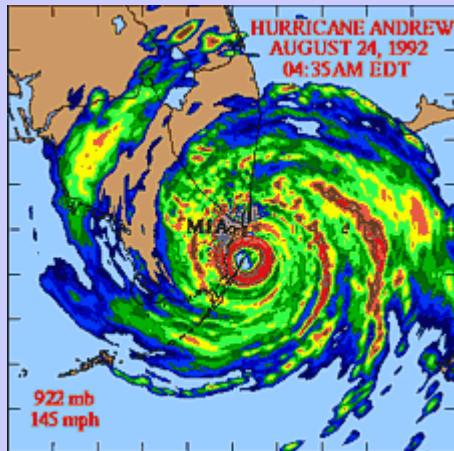
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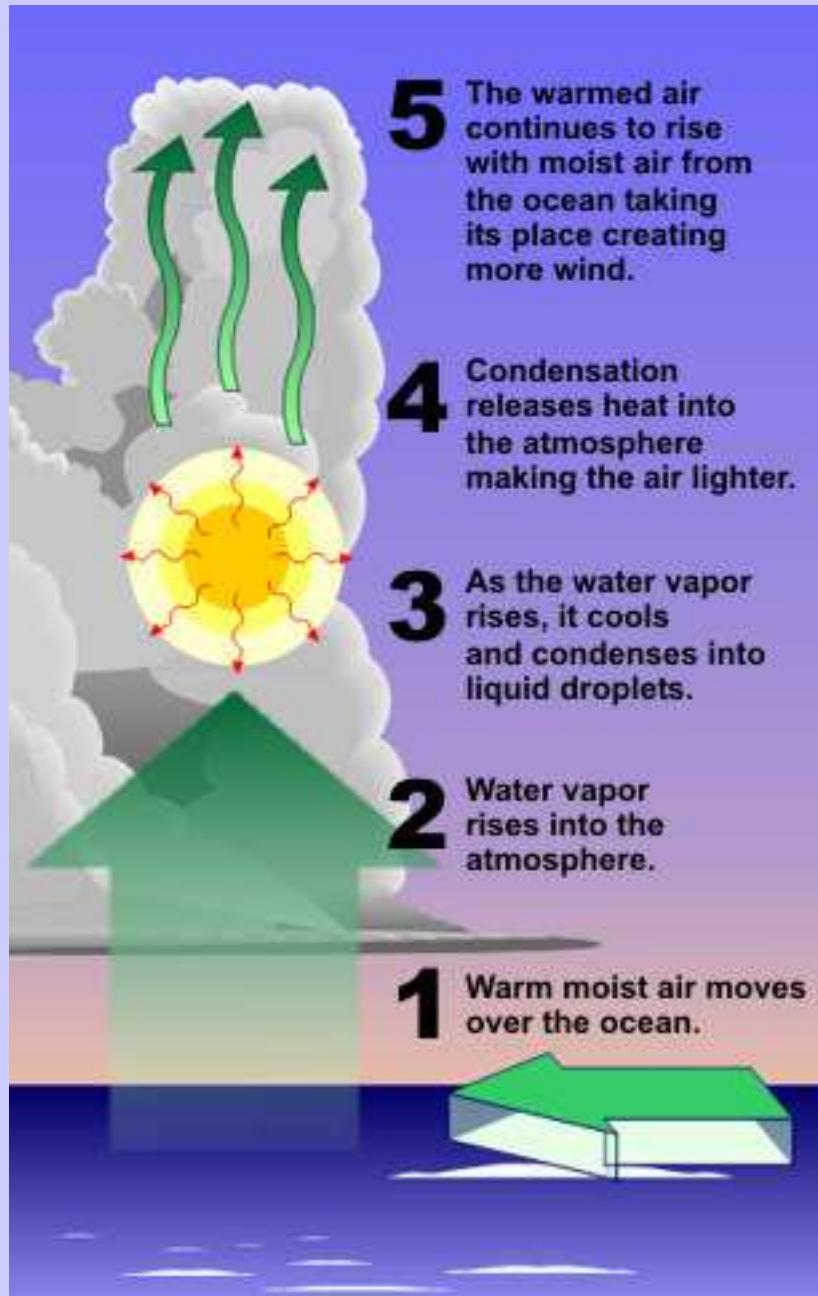
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Tropical Cyclones





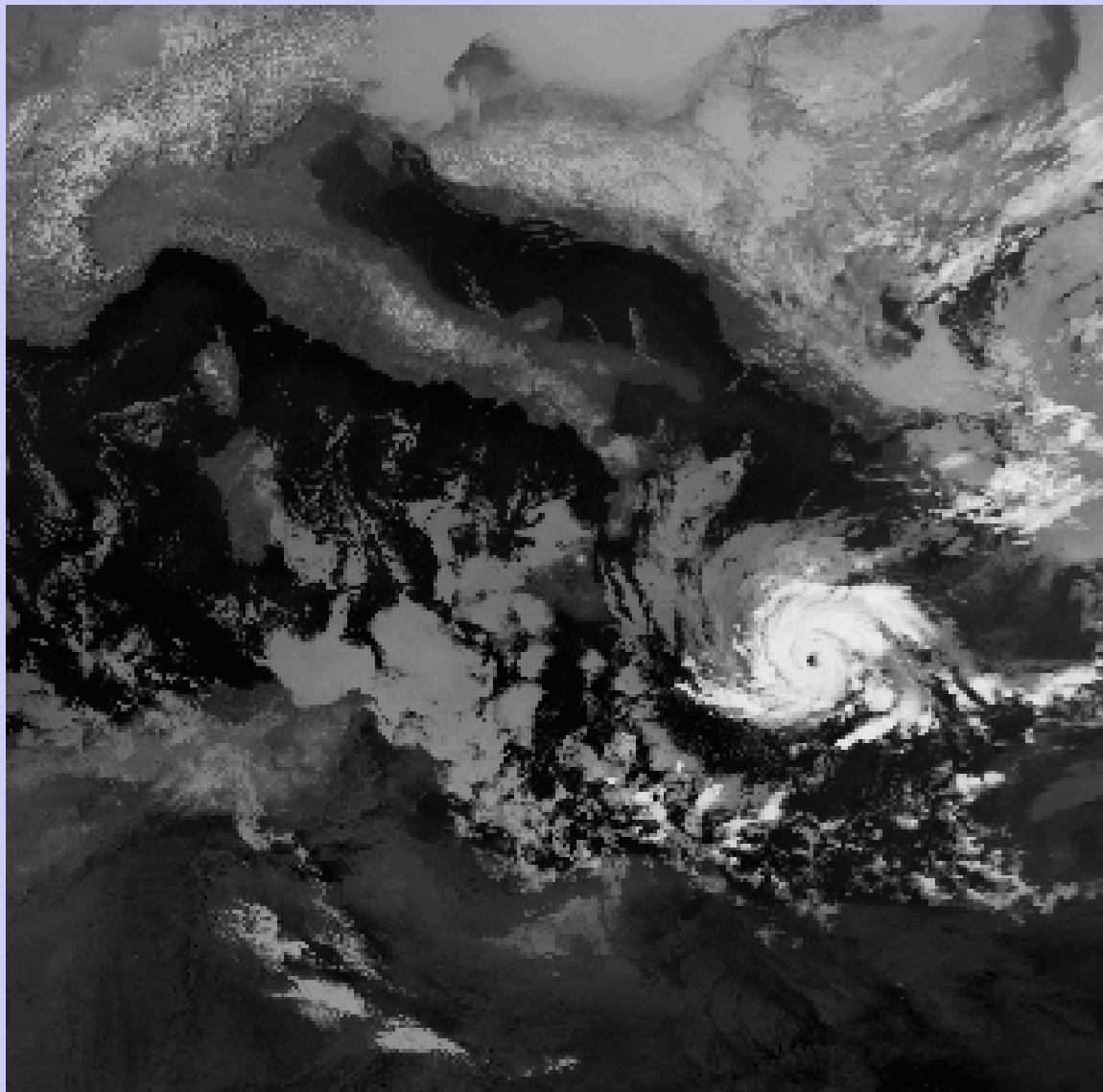


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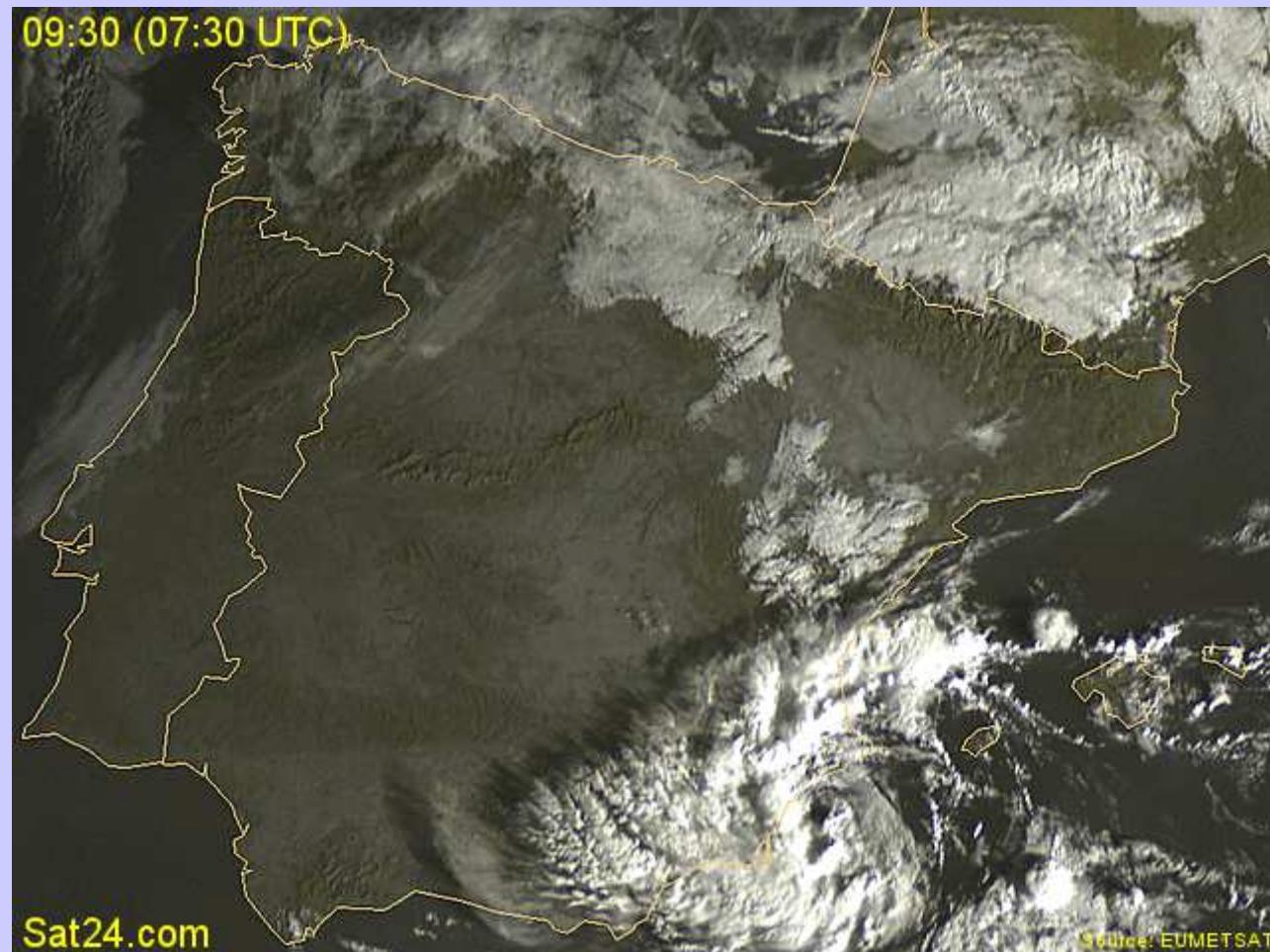
Cat.	Speed	Damage
1	74-95 mph 64-82 kts 119-153 km/hr	No real damage to building structures. Damage primarily to unanchored mobile homes, shrubbery, and trees. Some damage to poorly constructed signs.
2	96-110 mph 83-95 kts 154-177 km/hr	Some roofing material, door, and window damage of buildings. Considerable damage to shrubbery and trees with some trees blown down. Considerable damage to mobile homes, poorly constructed signs, and piers.
3	111-130 mph 96-113 kts 178-209 km/hr	Some structural damage to small residences and utility buildings with a minor amount of curtainwall failures. Damage to shrubbery and trees with foliage blown off trees and large trees blown down. Mobile homes and poorly constructed signs are destroyed.
4	131-155 mph 114-135 kts 210-249 km/hr	More extensive curtainwall failures with some complete roof structure failures on small residences. Shrubs, trees, and all signs are blown down. Complete destruction of mobile homes. Extensive damage to doors and windows.
5	Greater than 155 mph 135 kts 249 km/hr	Complete roof failure on many residences and industrial buildings. Some complete building failures with small utility buildings blown over or away. All shrubs, trees, and signs blown down. Complete destruction of mobile homes. Severe and extensive window and door damage.



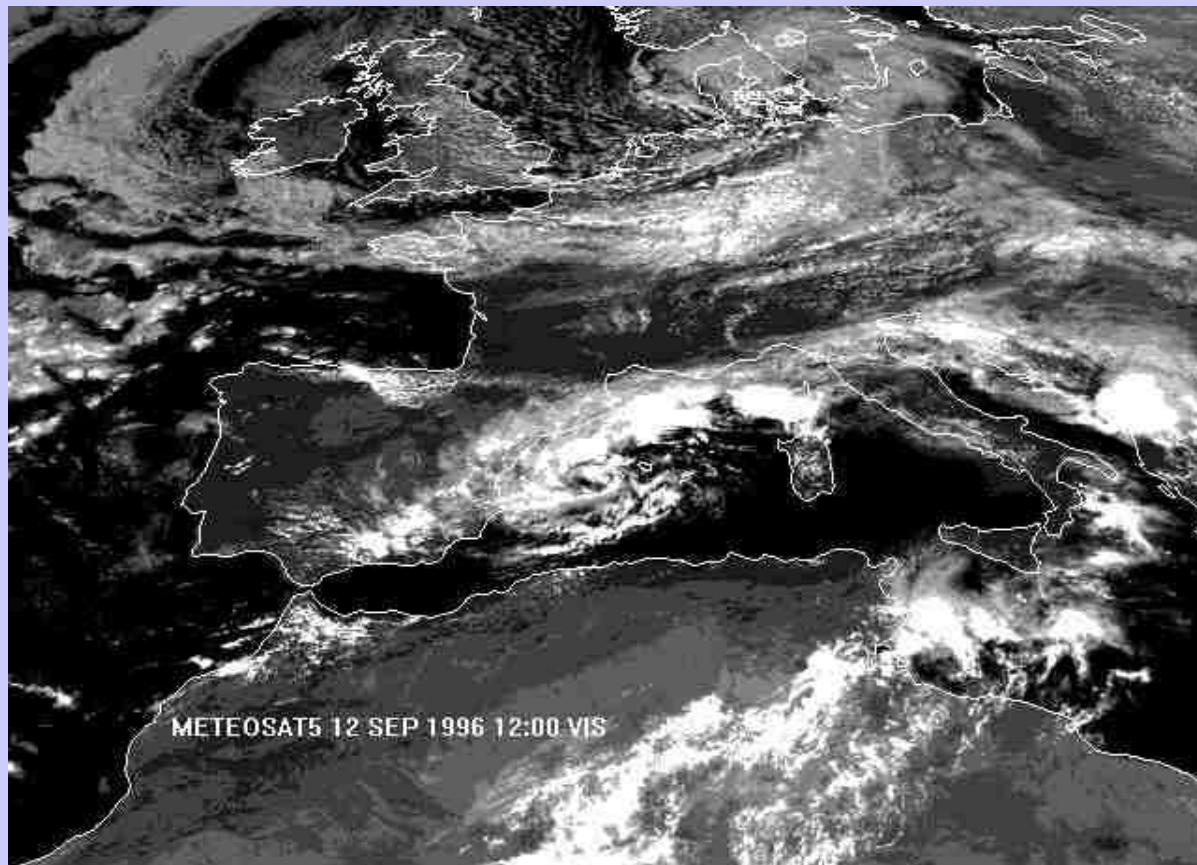
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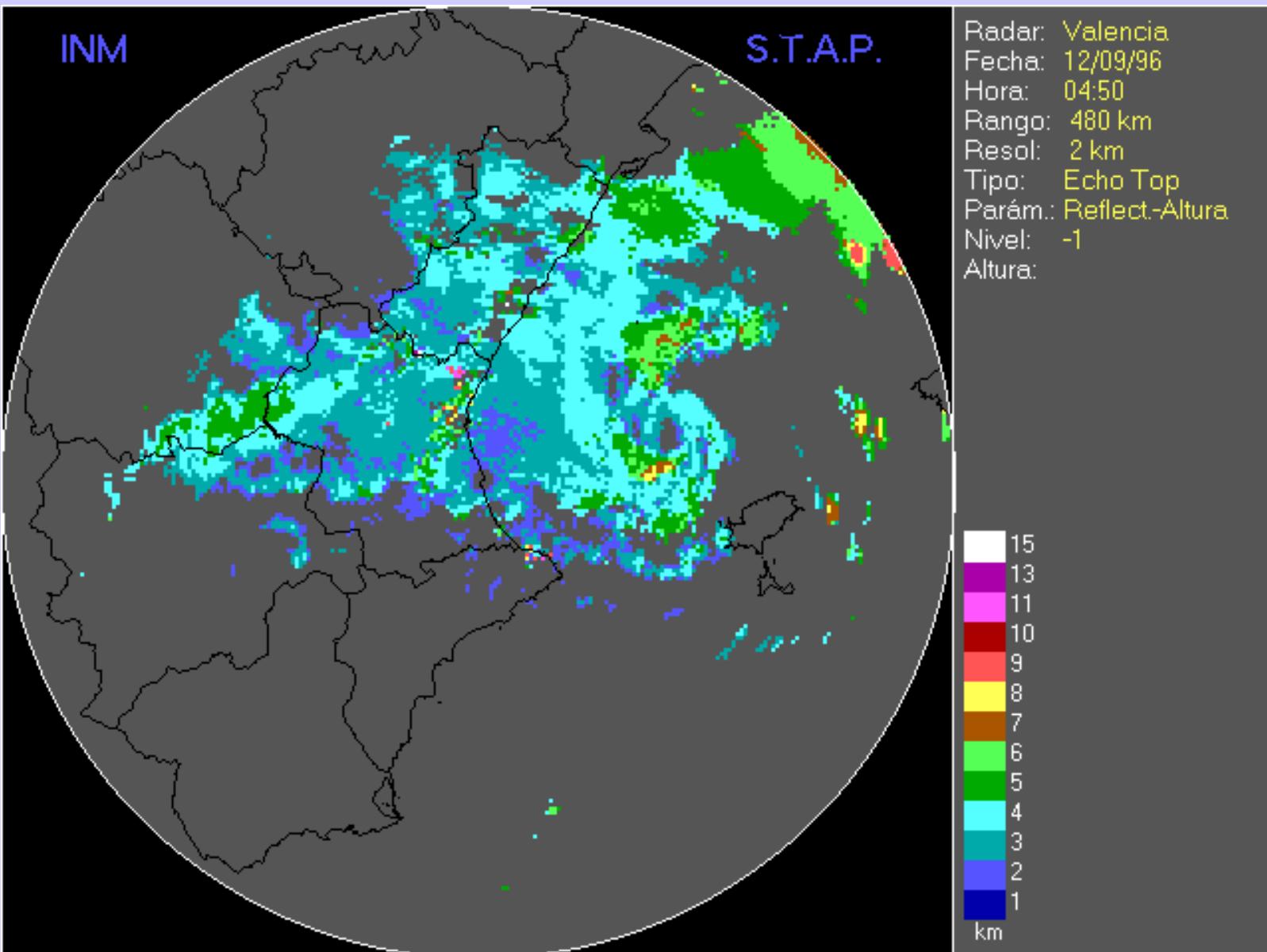


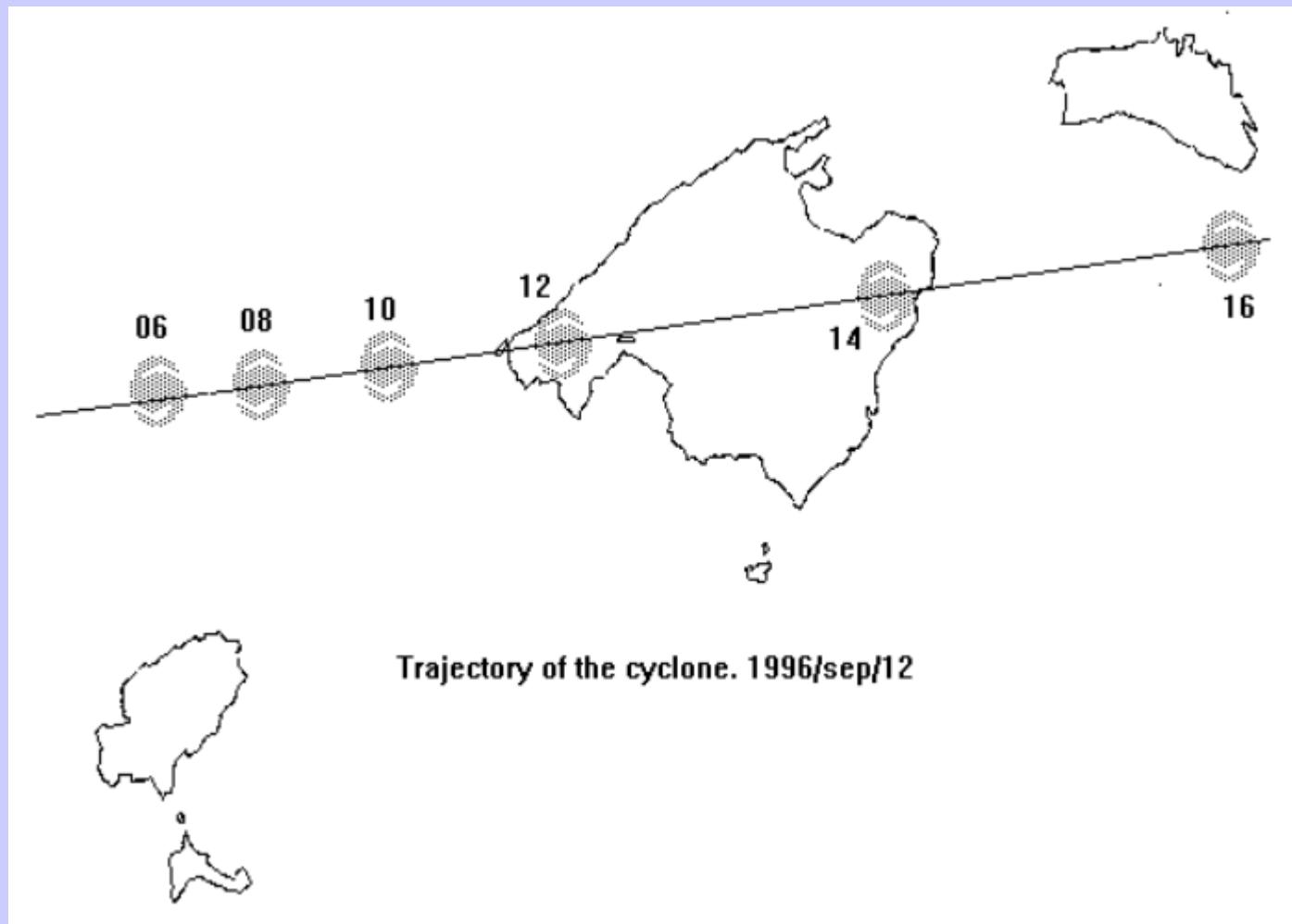
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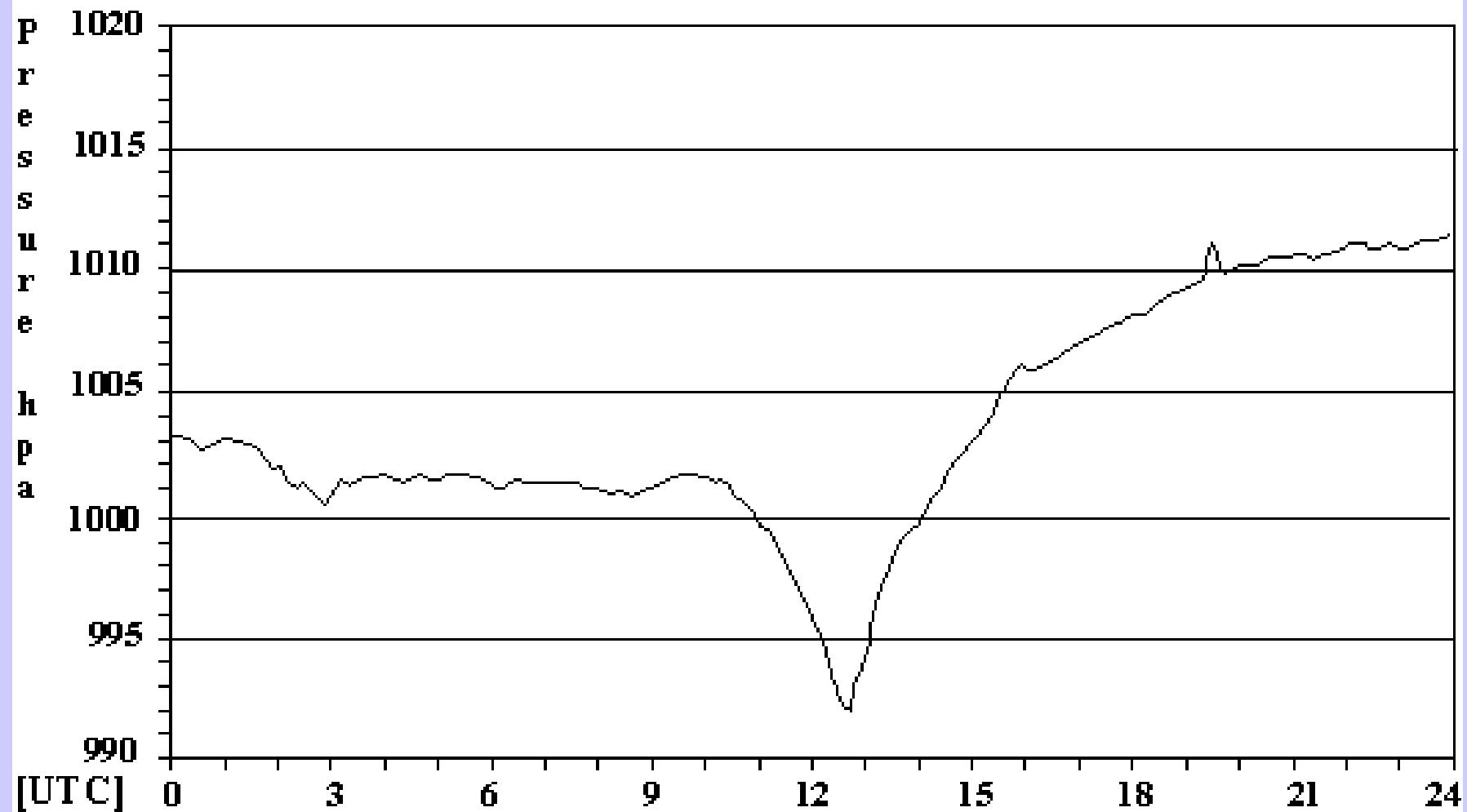
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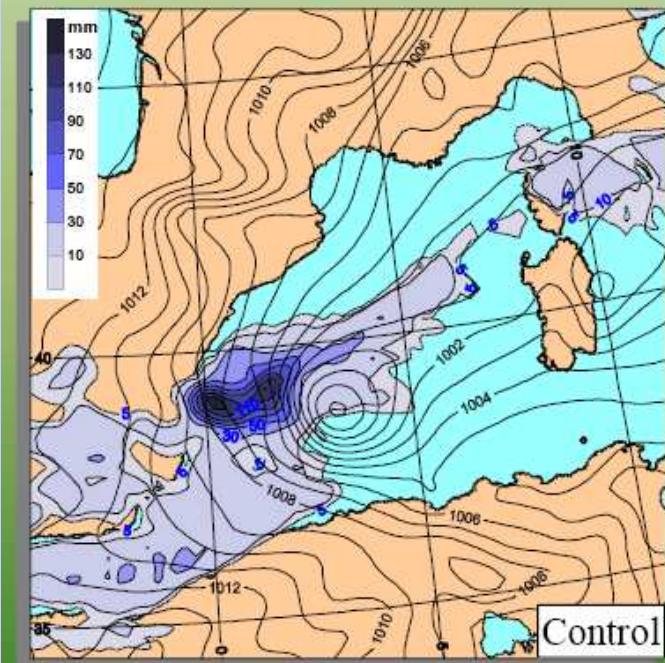


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Pressure Graphic

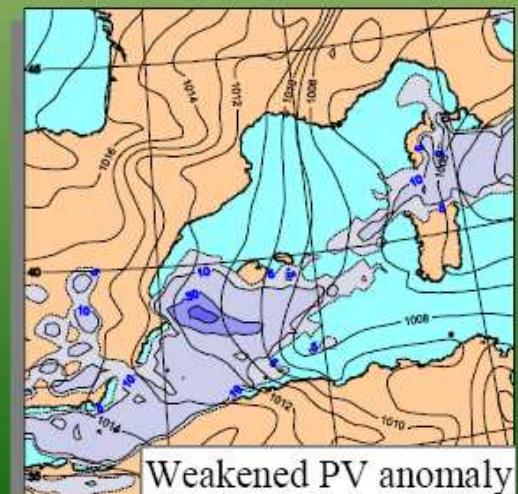
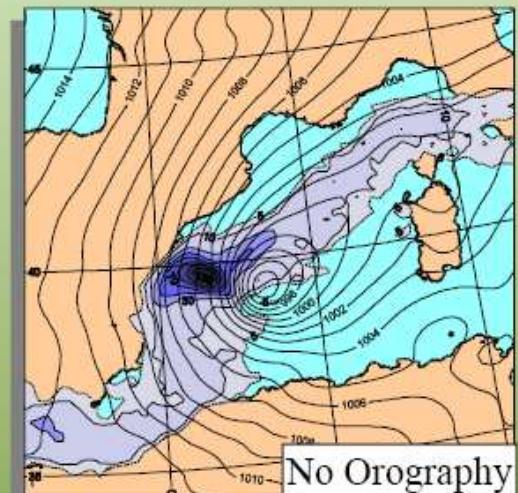
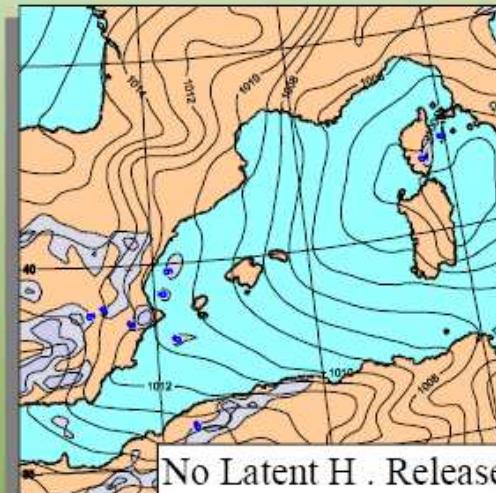


Sensitivity

- Results of the sensitivity experiments in terms of surface pressure and accumulated precipitation at 1200 UTC:



Simulaciones numéricas del
Medicane de 12 Septiembre 1996
(Homar et al. 2003)



UNIQUE FEATURE OF NUMERICAL MODELS

- Reasonably *good* control simulation of your case study
- 
- Specifically *designed* simulations (by perturbing factors)
(sensitivity studies / factor separation)
- 
- Improved physical *understanding* of your case study

1) SENSITIVITY OF CYCLONES TO BOUNDARY AND PHYSICAL FACTORS: THE FACTOR SEPARATION TECHNIQUE

FACTOR SEPARATION (Traditional Approach)

1 FACTOR

Run Factor

F_1 on

Induced by the factor

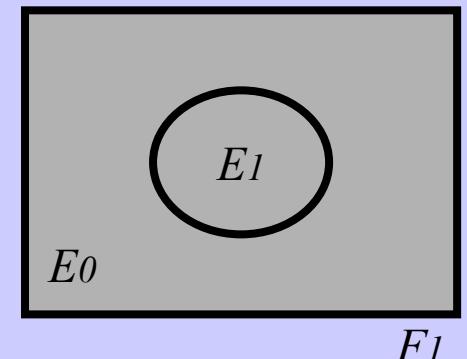
$$E_1 = F_1 - F_0$$

F_0 off

Independent of the factor

$$E_0 = F_0$$

$$(F_1 = E_0 + E_1)$$



2 FACTORS

Run Factor 1 Factor 2

F_{12} on on

Induced by the factor 1

$$E_1 = F_{12} - F_2$$

F_1 on off

Induced by the factor 2

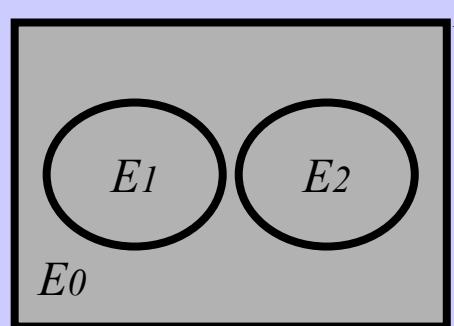
$$E_2 = F_{12} - F_1$$

F_2 off on

Independent of the factors

$$E_0 = F_0$$

* Ideally:

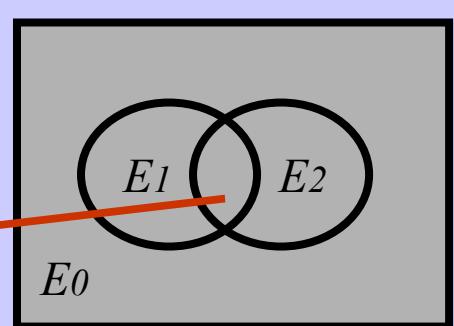


$$(F_{12} = E_0 + E_1 + E_2)$$

* But in nature:

Interaction

not isolated !!!



$$(F_{12} \neq E_0 + E_1 + E_2)$$

FACTOR SEPARATION (Stein and Alpert, JAS 1993)

2 FACTORS

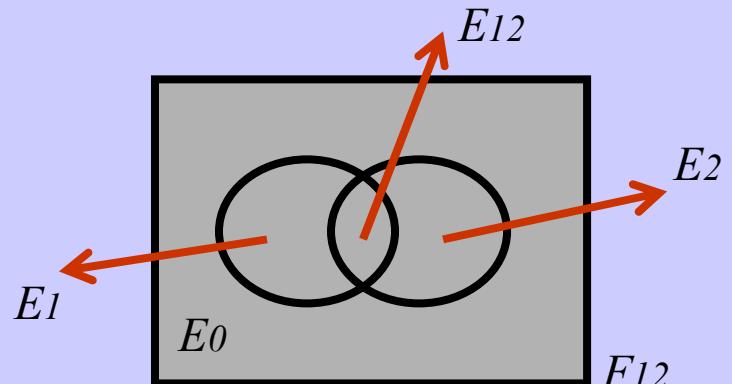
Run Factor 1 Factor 2

$$F_{12} \quad on \quad on = E_0 + E_1 + E_2 + E_{12}$$

$$F_1 \quad on \quad off = E_0 + E_1$$

$$F_2 \quad off \quad on = E_0 + E_2$$

$$F_0 \quad off \quad off = E_0$$



Unrelated with factors 1 and 2

$$E_0 = F_0$$

Induced by the **factor 1** (independent of 2)

$$E_1 = F_1 - F_0$$

Induced by the **factor 2** (independent of 1)

$$E_2 = F_2 - F_0$$

Induced by the **synergism** of factors 1 and 2

$$E_{12} = F_{12} - (F_1 + F_2) + F_0$$

* Generalization:

n FACTORS \longrightarrow **2ⁿ SIMULATIONS**

$$E_{i_1 i_2 i_3 \dots i_k} = \sum_{m=0}^k (-1)^{k-m} \left(\sum_{\text{sort}} F_{j_1 j_2 j_3 \dots j_m} \right) \quad 0 \leq k \leq n$$

where \sum_{sort} is over all groups of m sorted indices $j_1 j_2 j_3 \dots j_m$ chosen from k indices $i_1 i_2 i_3 \dots i_k$

FACTOR SEPARATION (Stein and Alpert, JAS 1993)

3 FACTORS

$$E_0 = F_0$$

$$E_1 = F_1 - F_0$$

$$E_2 = F_2 - F_0$$

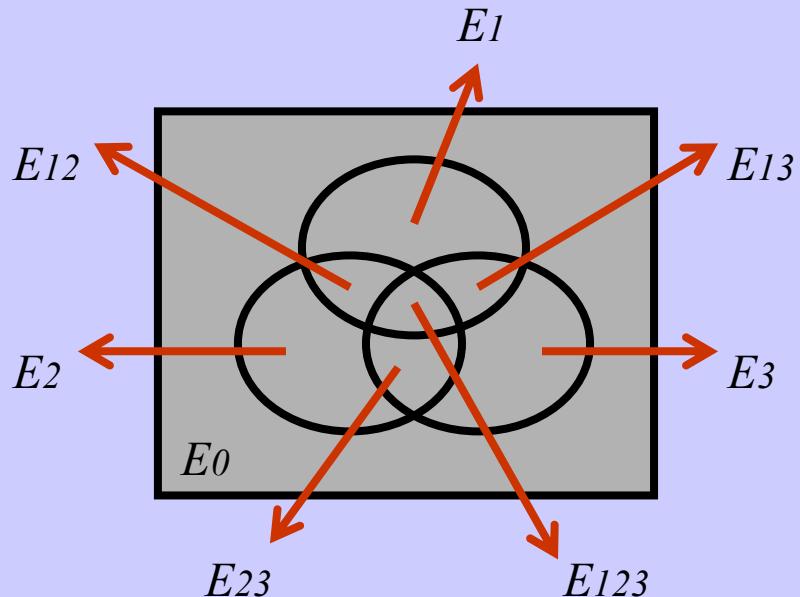
$$E_3 = F_3 - F_0$$

$$E_{12} = F_{12} - (F_1 + F_2) + F_0$$

$$E_{13} = F_{13} - (F_1 + F_3) + F_0$$

$$E_{23} = F_{23} - (F_2 + F_3) + F_0$$

$$E_{123} = F_{123} - (F_{12} + F_{13} + F_{23}) + (F_1 + F_2 + F_3) - F_0$$

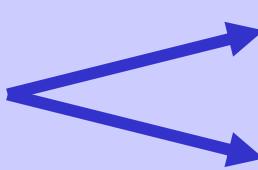


(8 simulations necessary)

CASE STUDIES

2 FLASH FLOOD EVENTS OVER EASTERN SPAIN

2 FACTORS

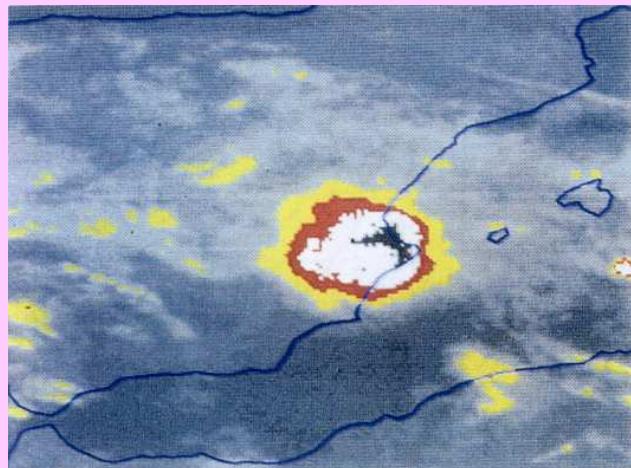


Atlas Mountains (a **boundary** factor)

Latent heat exchange (a **physical** factor)

GANDIA (3-4 Nov. 1987)

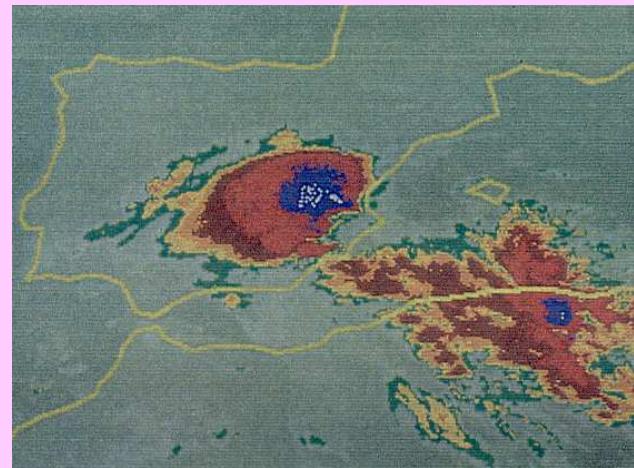
MCS (33 h)
Circular shape (~200 km diameter)
1000 mm / 36 h in **Gandia**



THE EVENTS

TOUS (20 Oct. 1982)

MCC (>12 h)
>400 mm
Dam breaking in **Tous**

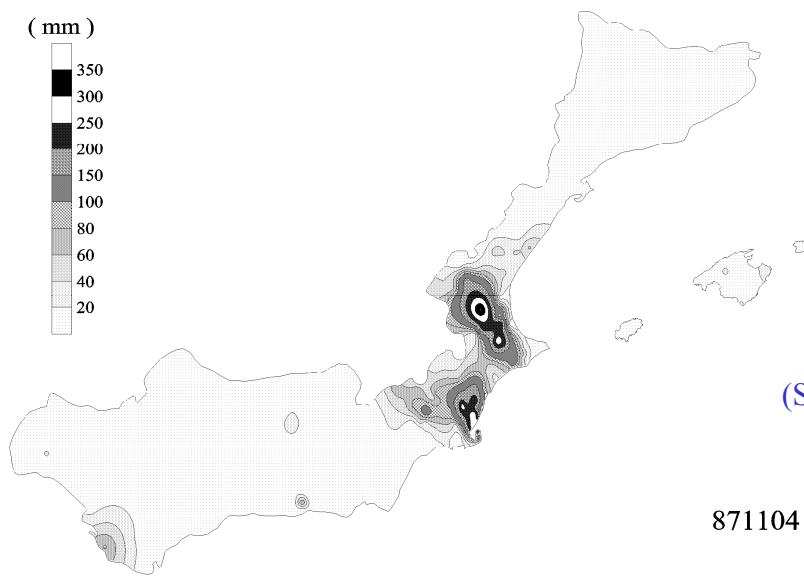


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RAINFALL (SECOND HALF)

(mm)

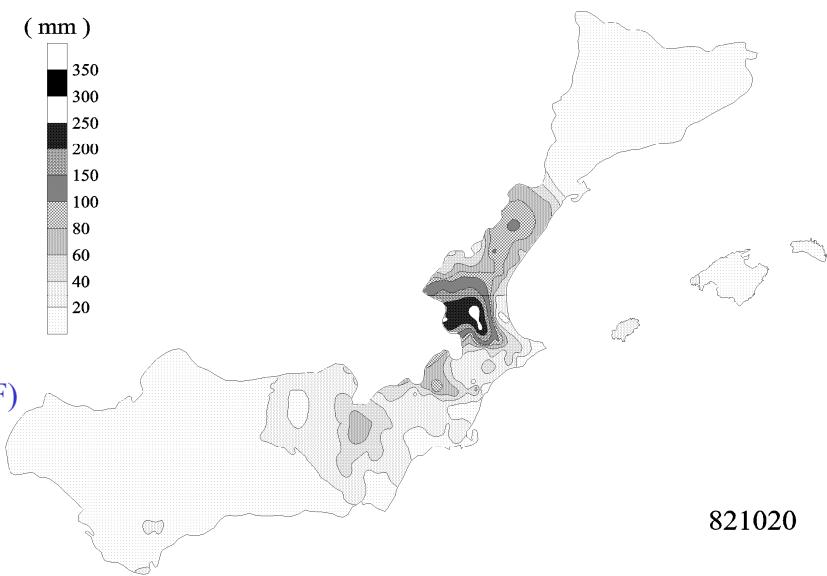
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MESOSCALE NUMERICAL SIMULATIONS

* PSU-NCAR mesoscale model (non-hydrostatic version MM5)

* Simulations:

- **2 domains**: 82x82x31 (60 and 20 km)
- **Interaction**: two-way
- **I.C and B.C**: NCEP global analysis + Surface and Upper air obs.
- **GANDIA**: 36 h, from 00 UTC 3 Nov. 1987
- **TOUS**: 24 h, from 00 UTC 20 Oct. 1982

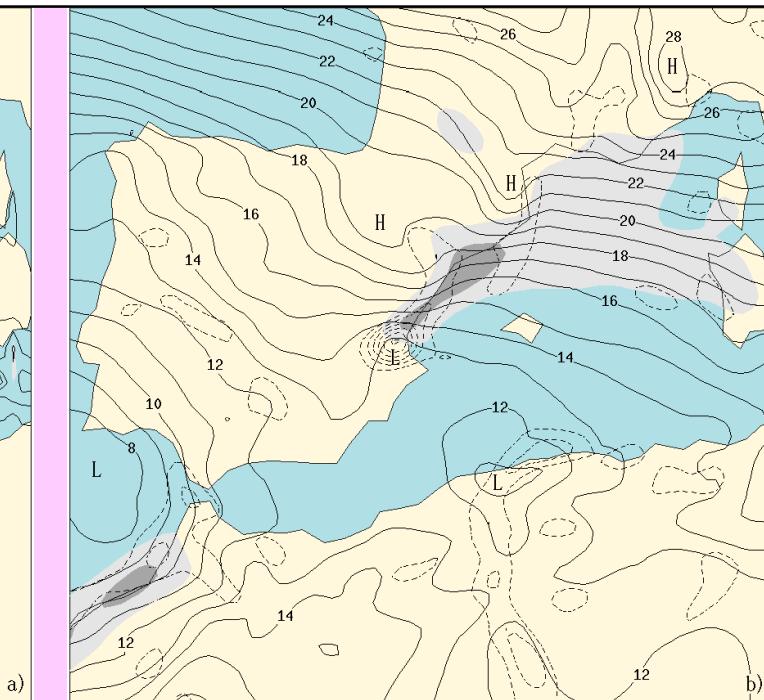
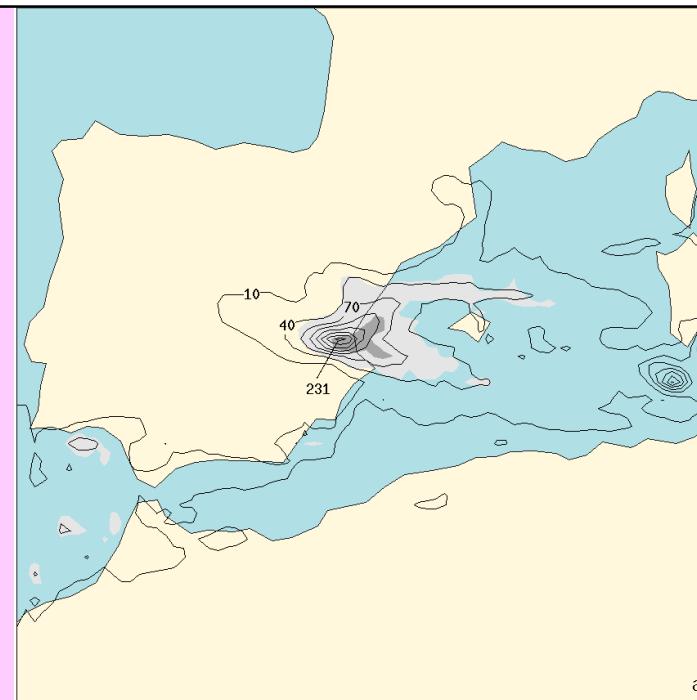
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- **Ground temperature**: Force-restore slab model (Blackadar 1979)
- **Radiation fluxes**: Considering cloud cover (Benjamin 1983)
- **Explicit convection**: Cloud water, rainwater, cloud ice and snow (Zhang 1989)
- **Parameterized convection**: Coarse: Betts-Miller (1986) / Fine: Kain-Fritsch (1990)

GANDIA

Location / Stationarity: well
QPF: underestimated

Algerian low / Mesolow
Convergence ahead of LLJ

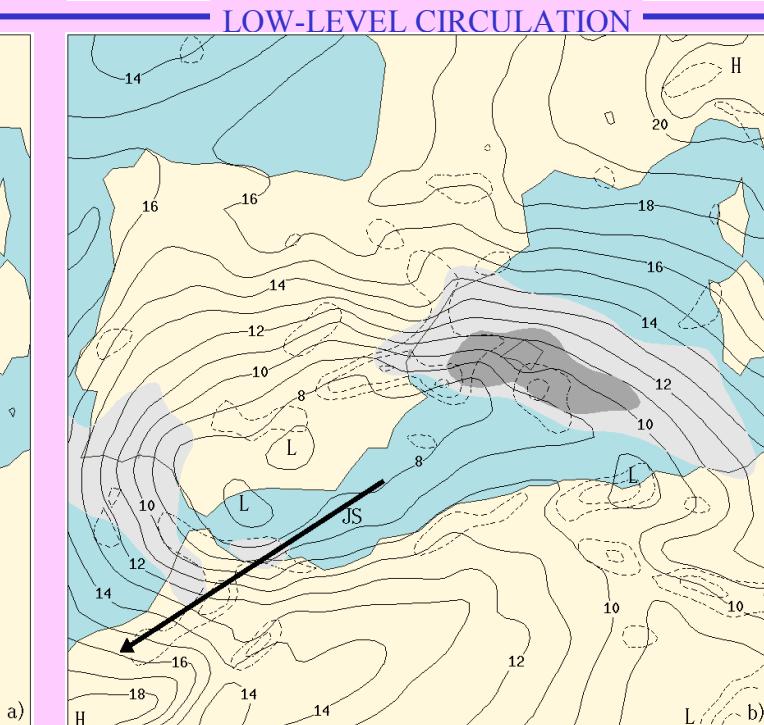
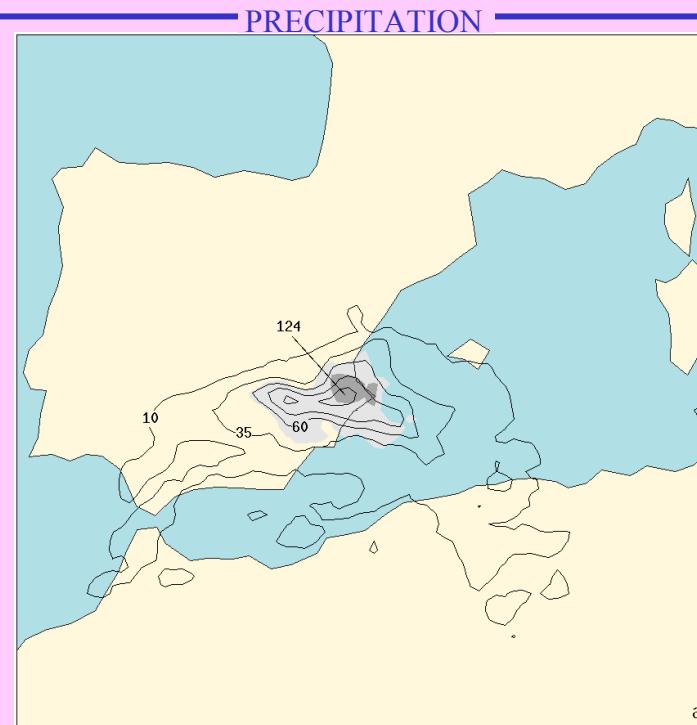


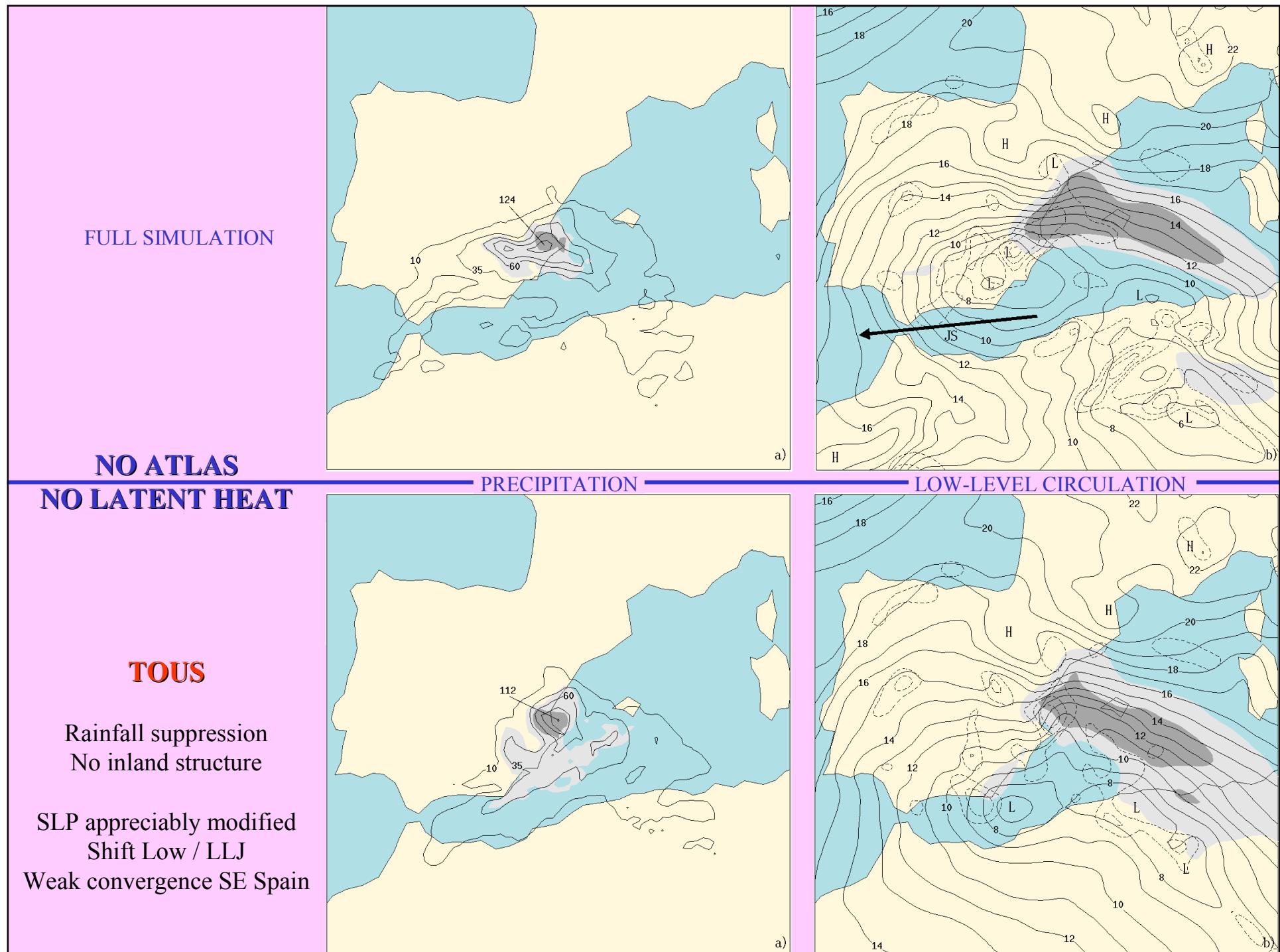
FULL SIMULATION

TOUS

Location / Stationarity: well
QPF: underestimated

Westward-moving low / ULJ
Embedded mesolow
Convergence over SE Spain





FACTOR SEPARATION STUDY

Method of Stein and Alpert (1993)

n factors $\longrightarrow 2^n$ simulations

Experiment	Atlas orography	Latent heat exchange
F_0	no	no
F_1	yes	no
F_2	no	yes
F_{12}	yes	yes

- a. Effect of the Atlas Mountains = $F_1 - F_0$
- b. Effect of the Latent heat = $F_2 - F_0$
- c. Effect of the interaction Atlas/Latent heat = $F_{12} - (F_1 + F_2) + F_0$

GANDIA

Extensive pressure decrease over the Mediterranean

Cyclogenesis / Enhancement of easterlies and convergence

Southward shift of the rainfall activity

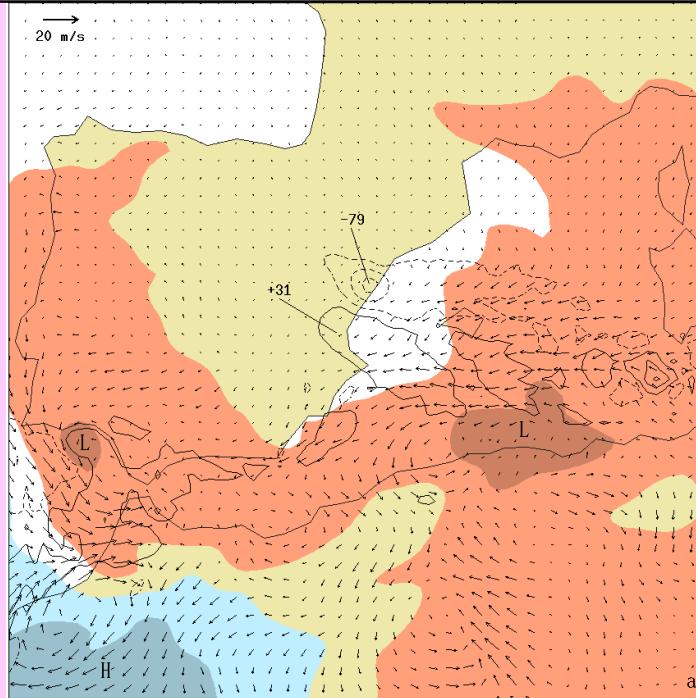
EFFECT ATLAS MOUNTAINS

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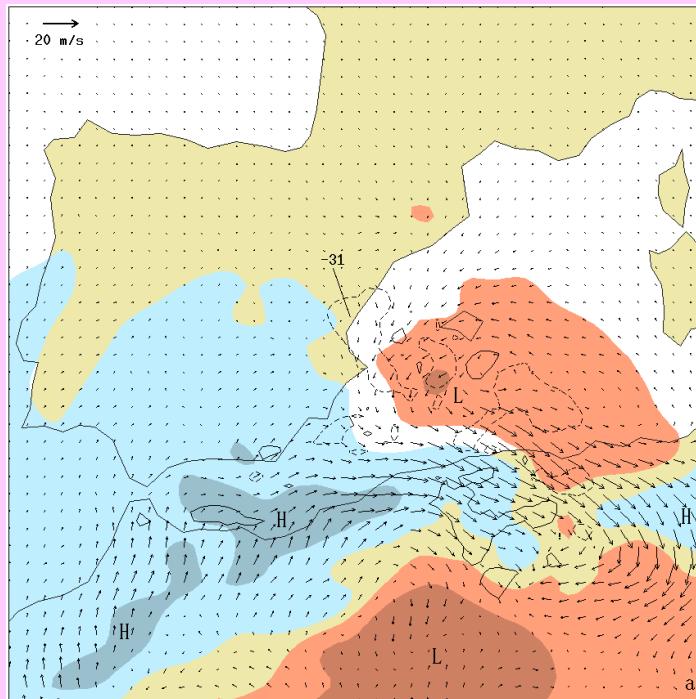
Pressure decrease limited to the east of the Balearics

Northerly winds and offshore outflows over eastern Spain

General rainfall suppression



SLP / 925 hPa WIND FIELD / PRECIPITATION



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GANDIA

Mesolow over eastern Spain

Intense mesoscale cyclonic circulation / strong convergence

Focusing of rainfall over central Valencia

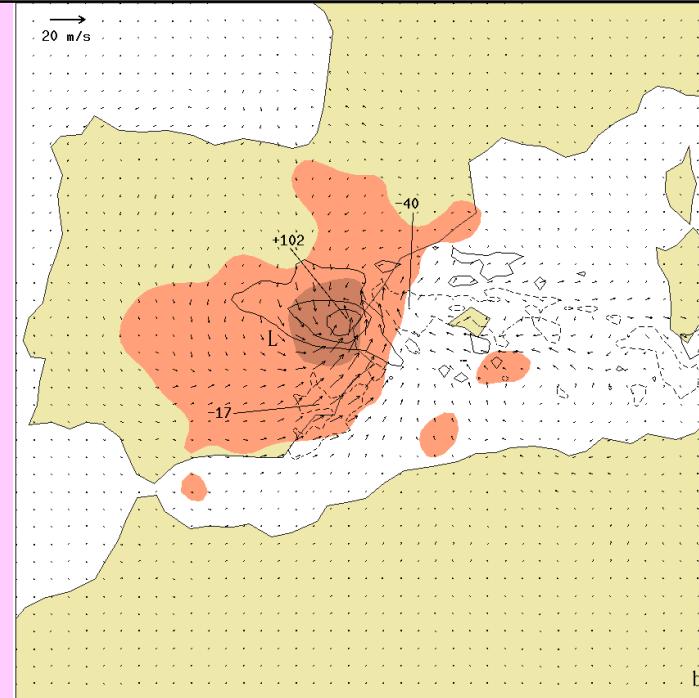
EFFECT LATENT HEAT

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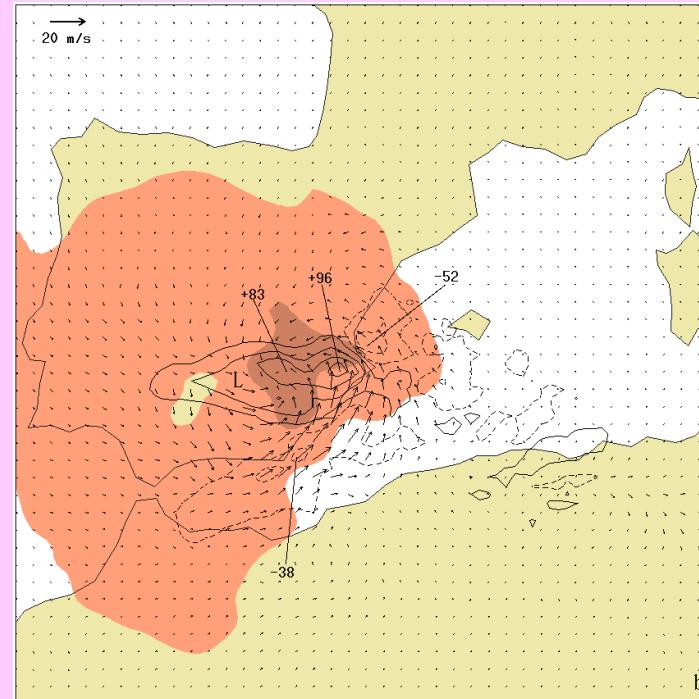
Mesolow over southeastern Spain

Intense vortex / strong convergence line

Substantial rainfall enhancement (elongated structure)



SLP / 925 hPa WIND FIELD / PRECIPITATION



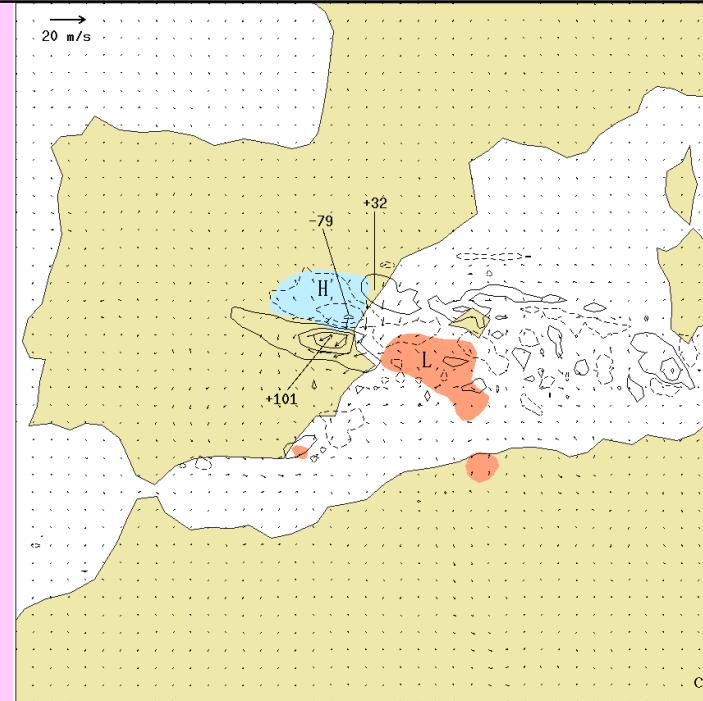
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GANDIA

Complex pattern in space and time

Southward shift of the rainfall activity

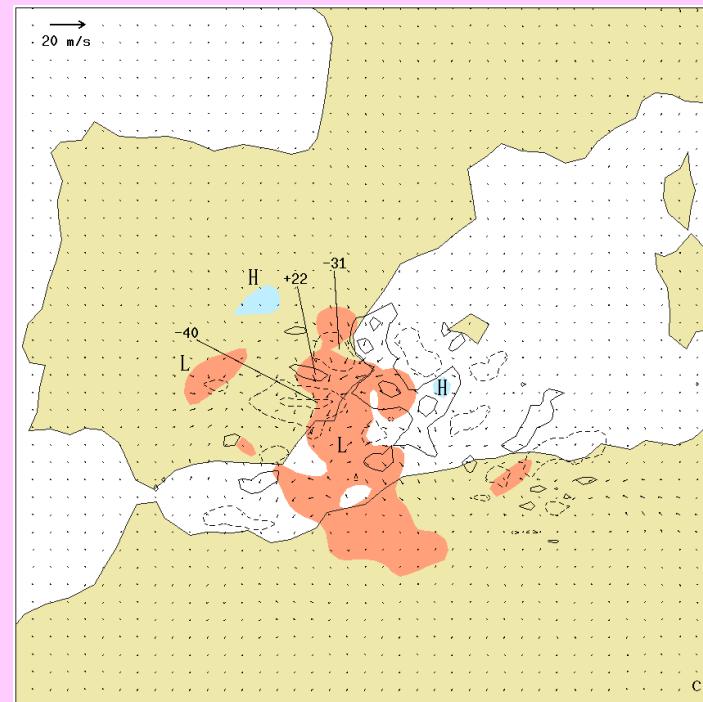


EFFECT ATLAS MOUNTAINS / LATENT HEAT

TOUS

Complex pattern in space and time

General rainfall suppression over land



CONCLUSIONS (I) – Part 1

The **numerical modeling** of atmospheric circulations is the most powerful tool available to scientists to develop a better **physical understanding** of the responsible mechanisms and its relation to the **weather or the environment**



FACTOR SEPARATION

By **switching on / off** some given factors in the numerical simulations, the **role** played by these factors on our meteorological or environmental problem can be **isolated** !!!

CONCLUSIONS (II) – Part 1

1) Factor separation technique (PROS):

- Numerical simulations can be utilized to obtain the **pure contribution** of any factor to any predicted field, as well as the contributions due to the mutual **interactions** among two or more factors.
- **Easy to apply** (algebraic combinations of model outputs).

2) Factor separation technique (CONS):

- **n factors** \longrightarrow **2^n simulations**
(e.g. 10 factors would require 1024 simulations, **but** only 56 simulations would be needed to obtain double interactions only).
- The interactions can be **complex** and difficult to interpret

3) What about the nature of the factors ?

- **Boundary** and **physical** factors, no problem !
- **But** ... how to deal with **dynamical** factors (I.C) ?

INTRODUCTION – Part 2

HEAVY RAIN PRODUCING WESTERN MEDITERRANEAN CYCLONE

FACTORS → Two embedded upper level disturbances (positive PV anomalies)
(**dynamical** factors)

How can the internal features of the flow dynamics (jet streaks, troughs, fronts, etc...) present in the initial conditions be **switched on / off** without compromising the delicate 3-D dynamical balances that govern both the model and actual meteorological fields ???



PIECEWISE PV INVERSION

**2) SENSITIVITY OF CYCLONES TO
INITIAL CONDITIONS: A NUMERICAL APPROACH
THROUGH POTENTIAL VORTICITY INVERSION**

FUNDAMENTALS PV - QG framework

a) Conservation principle:

$$\frac{D_g}{Dt}(QGPV) = 0$$

In an adiabatic and frictionless atmosphere, it is conserved **following the geostrophic motion**

b) Invertibility principle:

$QGPV$ field

Function of ϕ

Balance condition

Geostrophic balance
(Requires $Ro \rightarrow 0$)

Boundary conditions

On ϕ / ϕ_p

Linear operator
(anomalies)

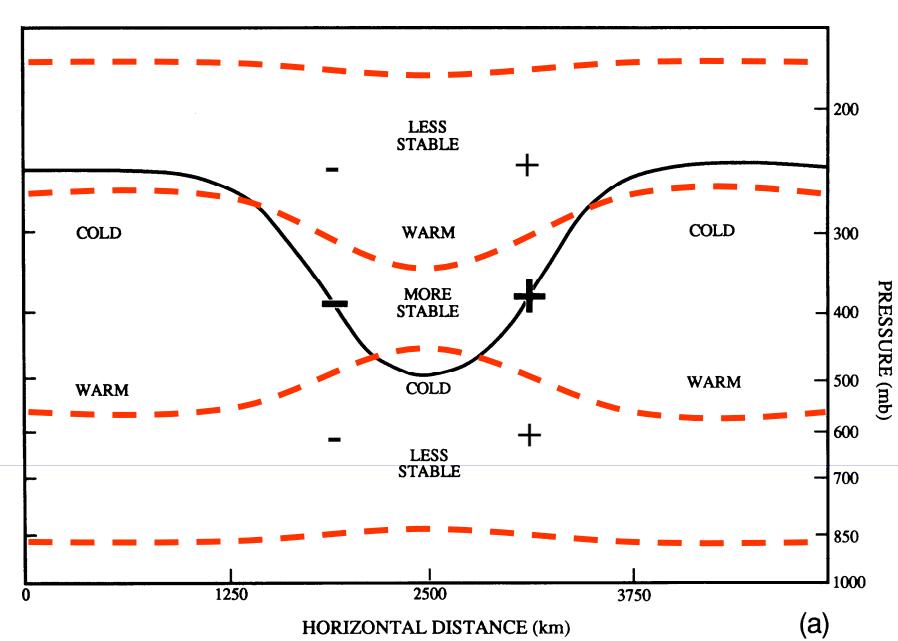
A balance flow can be calculated from the $QGPV$ field: ϕ, \vec{V}_g, T

c) About the anomalies:

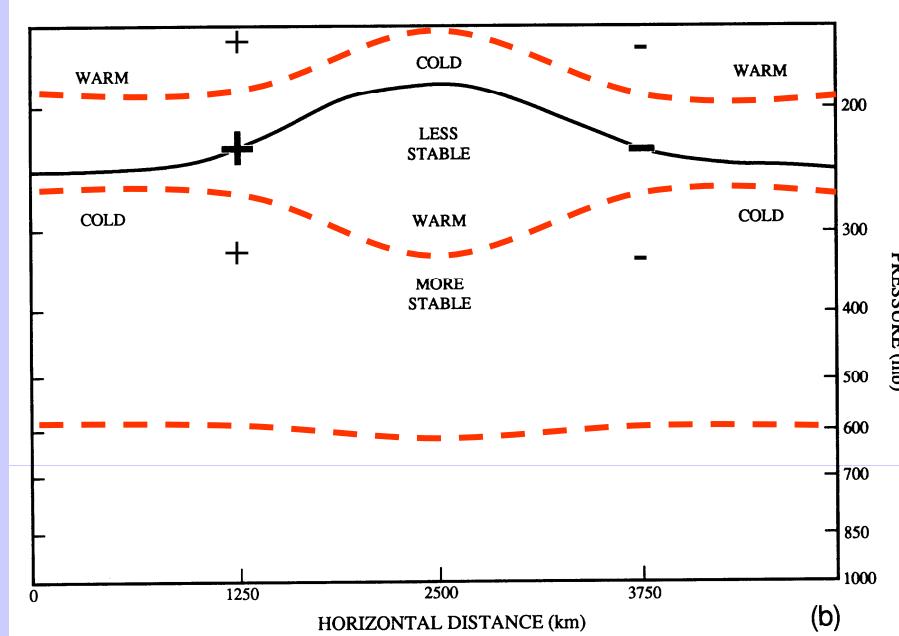
$$QGPV \begin{cases} \zeta_g + f & \text{Coriolis parameter increases with latitude} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial p} \left(\frac{f_0}{\sigma} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial p} \right) = - \frac{\partial}{\partial p} \left(\frac{f_0 R_d}{\sigma p} T \right) \approx - \frac{f_0 R_d}{\sigma p} \frac{\partial T}{\partial p} & \begin{array}{l} <0 \text{ in troposphere} \\ >0 \text{ in stratosphere} \end{array} \end{cases}$$

- $QGPV$ is typically higher/lower in high/low latitude, stratospheric/tropospheric air: Source of +/- anomalies
- +/- anomalies are consistent with positive/negative relative vorticity **and (or ?)** enhanced/reduced stability

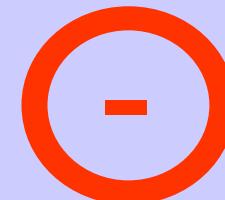
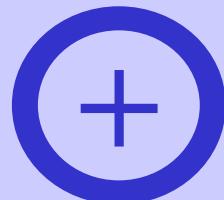
FUNDAMENTALS PV - Upper Level PV Anomalies



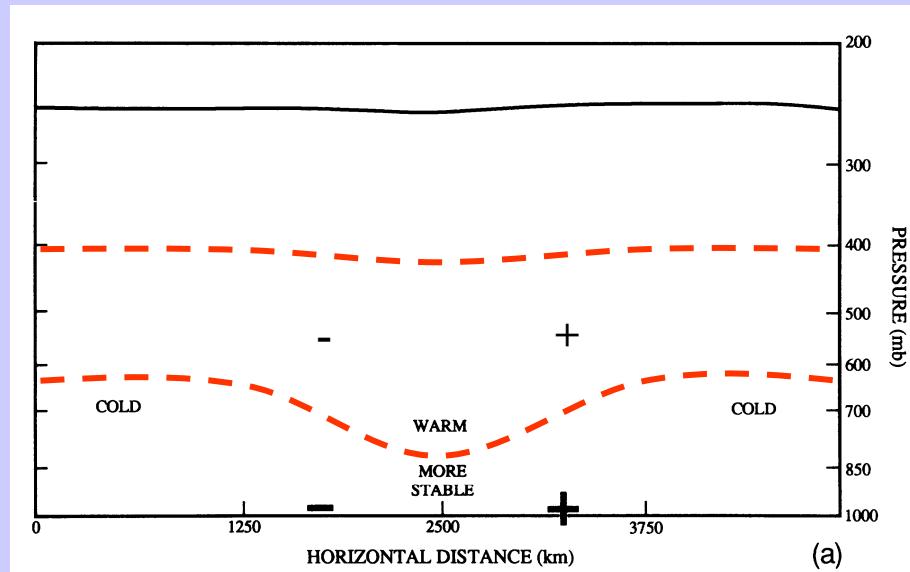
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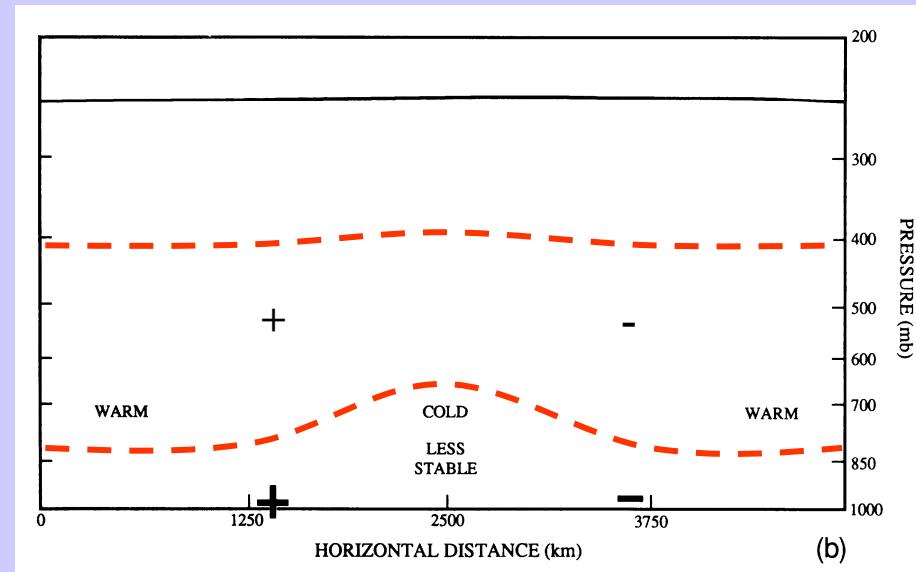
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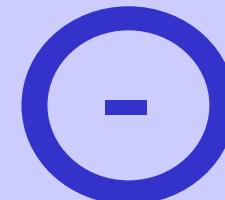
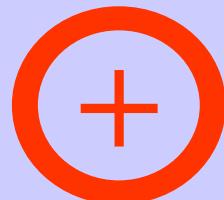
FUNDAMENTALS PV - Surface Thermal Anomalies



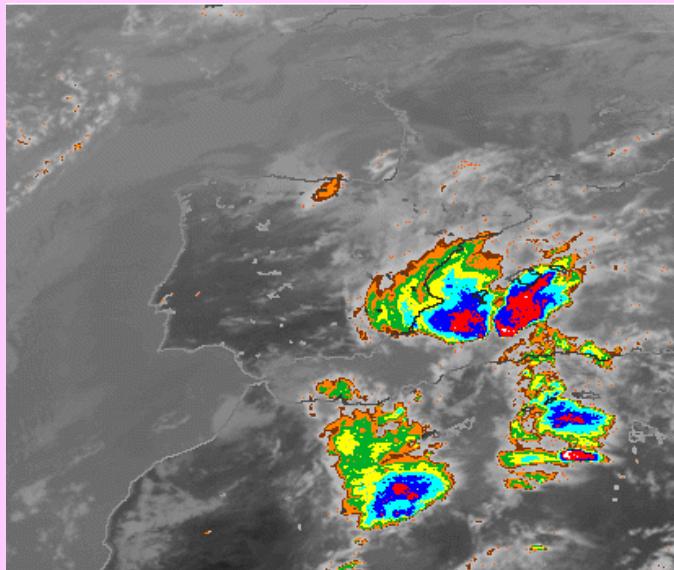
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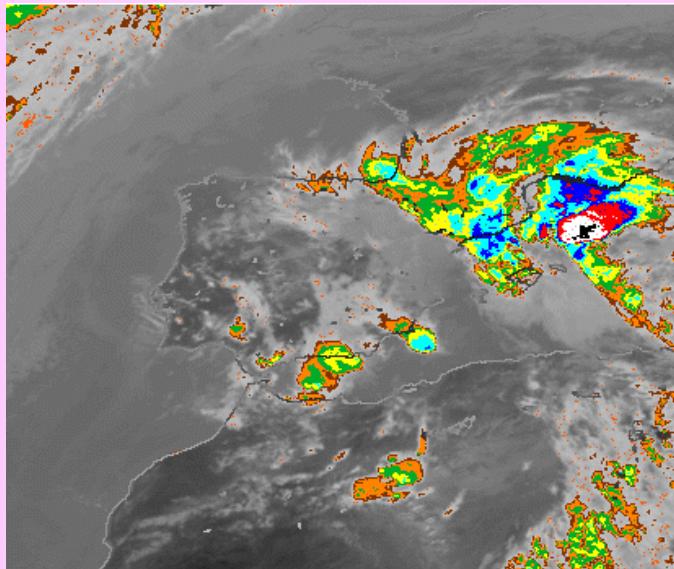
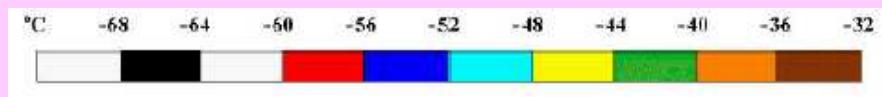
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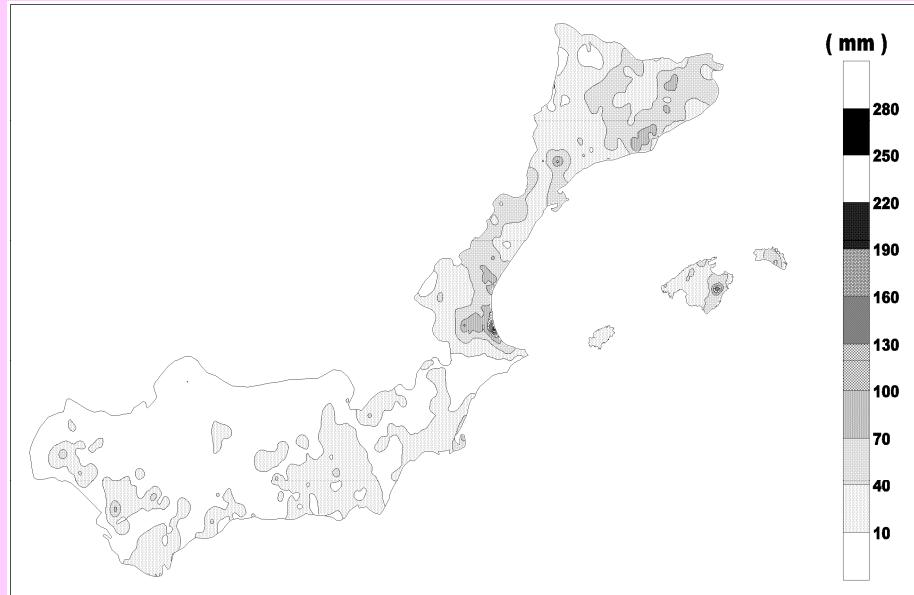
28th / 12 UTC



29th / 12 UTC

THE EVENT (28-29 Sept. 1994)

PRECIPITATION



28th / 07 UTC → 30th / 07 UTC

The cyclone progressed northwards during the episode
Main MCSs developed over the sea (**strong QG forcing ?**)
Heavy precipitation and flash floods in eastern Spain

CONTROL NUMERICAL SIMULATION

* PSU-NCAR mesoscale model (non-hydrostatic version MM5)

* Simulation:

- **2 domains**: 82x82x31 (60 and 20 km)
- **Interaction**: two-way
- **I.C and B.C**: NCEP global analysis + Surface and Upper air obs.
- **Period**: 48 h, from 00 UTC 28 September 1994

* Physical parameterizations:

- **PBL**: Based on Blackadar (1979) scheme (Zhang and Anthes 1982)
- **Ground temperature**: Force-restore slab model (Blackadar 1979)
- **Radiation fluxes**: Considering cloud cover (Benjamin 1983)
- **Resolved-scale microphysics**:

Cloud water, rainwater, cloud ice and snow (Dudhia 1989)

- **Parameterized convection**:

60 km: Betts-Miller (1986)

20 km: Kain-Fritsch (1990)

SYNOPTIC ASPECTS

Two **rotating** upper-level positive PV anomalies

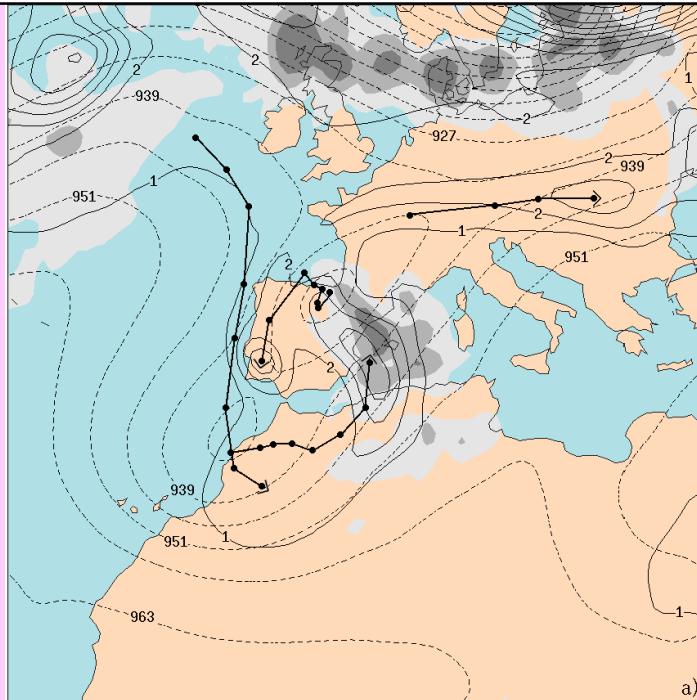
Strong low-tropospheric warm advection

CONTROL SIMULATION

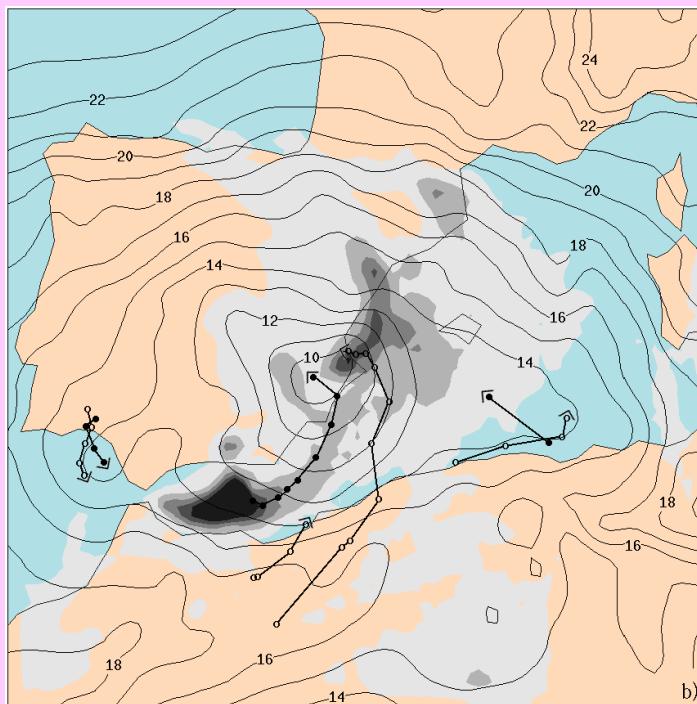
MESOSCALE FORECAST

Intense, broad and mobile surface cyclone

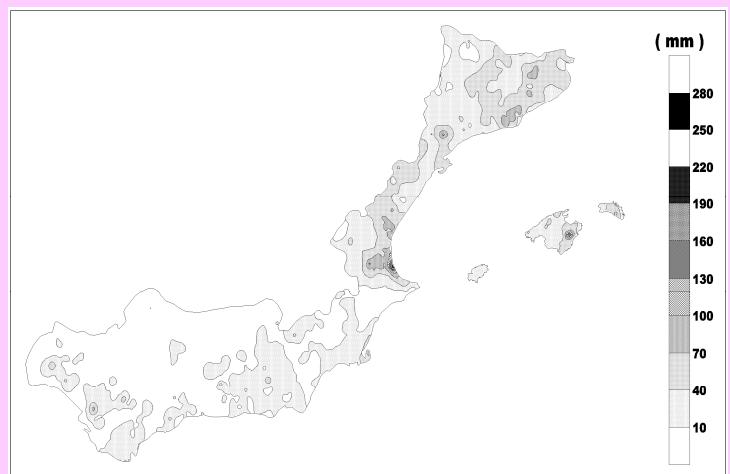
Heavy precipitation in agreement with observations



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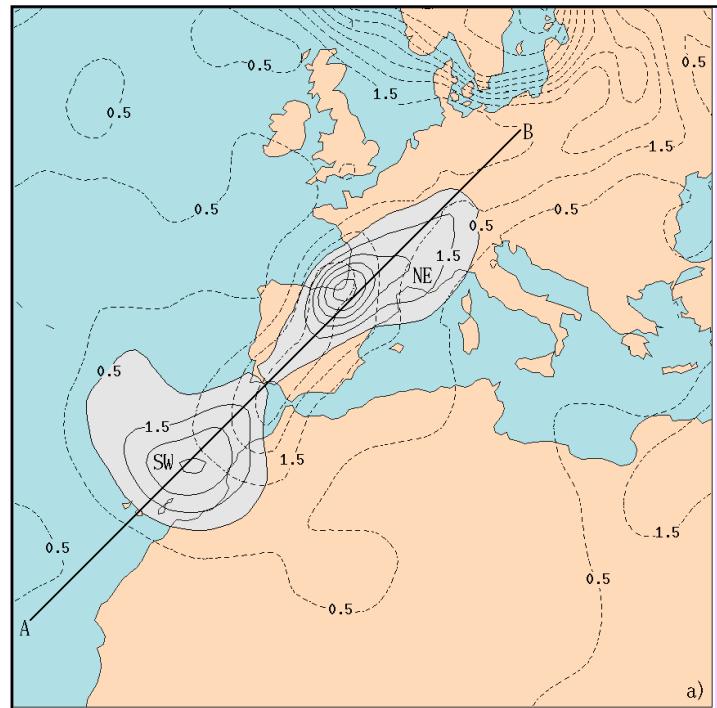


SENSITIVITY TO THE UPPER LEVEL PV ANOMALIES (motivation)

- * The two embedded **upper-level PV centres** seem to be playing an **important role** for the evolution, intensity and spatial extent of the **surface cyclone**
- * How a potential analysis and/or forecast **error** in the representation of these **PV anomalies** might affect the **mesoscale forecast** ?



- * **Sensitivity analysis** based on additional simulations with perturbed initial conditions
- * A **balanced flow** associated with each anomaly **must be found** that can be used to alter the model initial conditions in a physically consistent way without introducing any significant noise in the model → **Piecewise PV inversion**

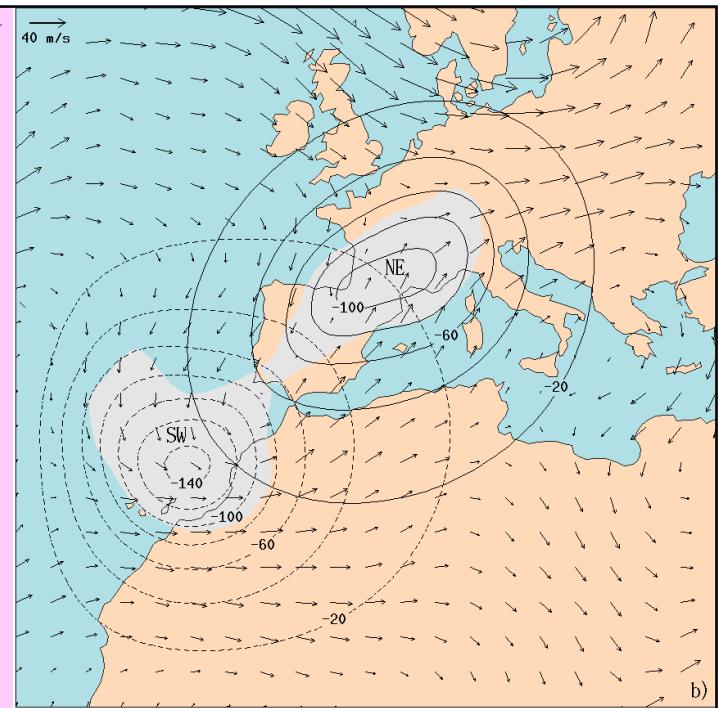


PV FIELD

FLOW

HORIZONTAL VIEW at 250 hPa

Mutual **interactions** among
background flow and anomalies



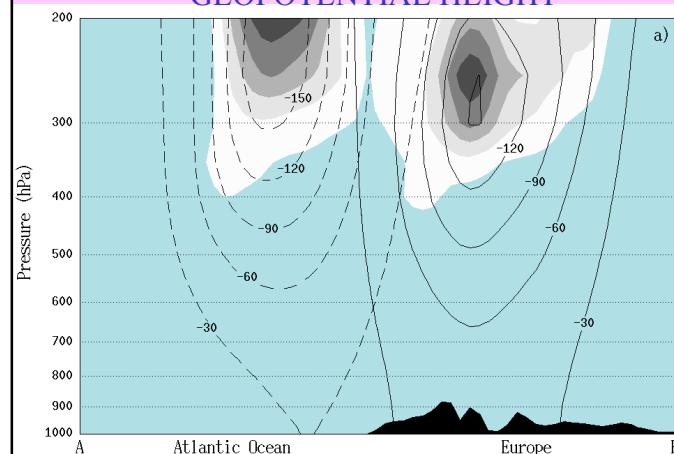
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INVERSION RESULTS

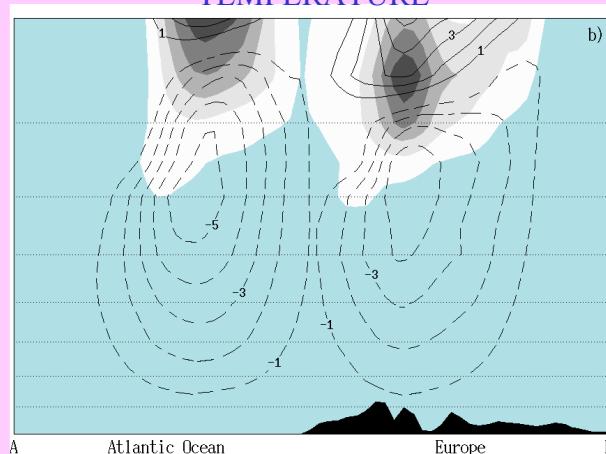
VERTICAL VIEW along A-B

Anomalies felt throughout the **entire atmospheric column**

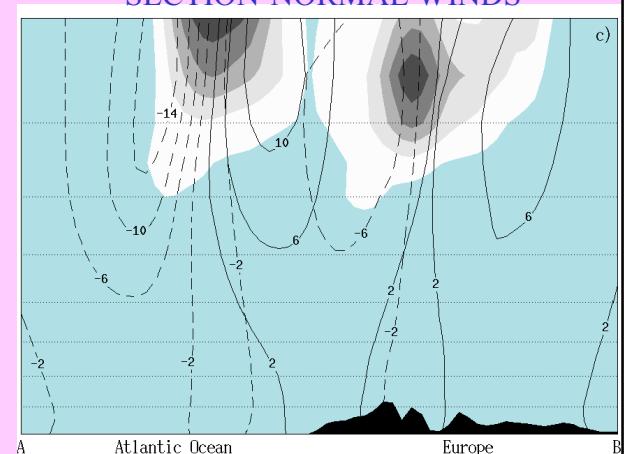
GEOPOTENTIAL HEIGHT



TEMPERATURE



SECTION-NORMAL WINDS



SENSITIVITY EXPERIMENTS

**By adding and/or subtracting the PV-inverted balanced fields
(geopotential, temperature and wind) into the model initial conditions**

Sensitivity to the intensity

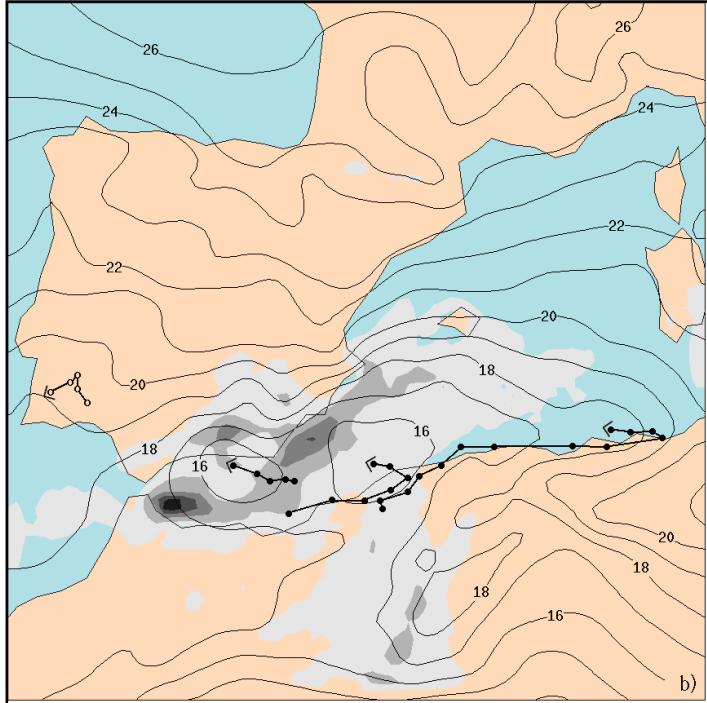
(One or both PV anomalies removed or doubled)

Experiment	SW anomaly	NE anomaly
S_0^0	Removed	Removed
S_2^2	Doubled	Doubled
S_1^0	Unchanged	Removed
S_2^0	Doubled	Removed
S_0^1	Removed	Unchanged
S_0^2	Removed	Doubled
S_2^1	Doubled	Unchanged
S_1^2	Unchanged	Doubled

Sensitivity to the position

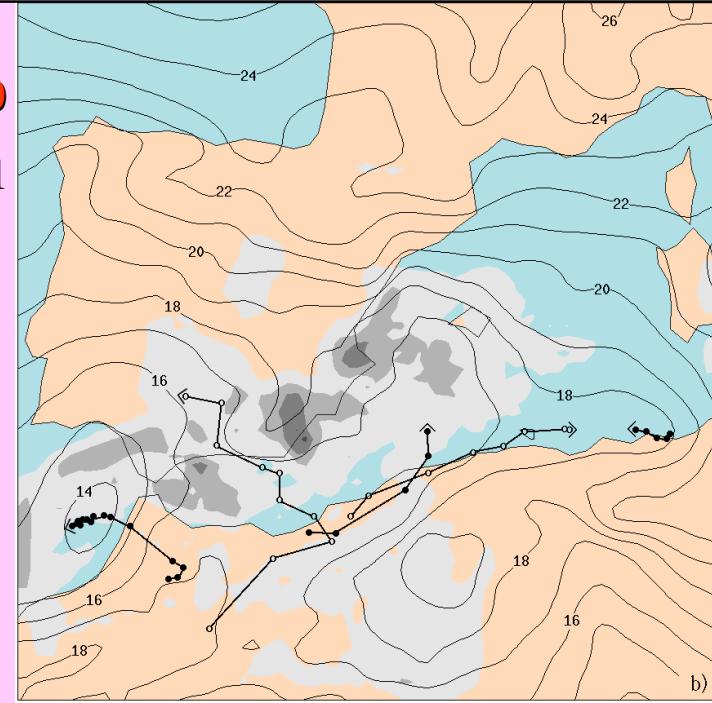
(One or both PV anomalies shifted 425 km along A-B)

Experiment	SW anomaly	NE anomaly
S_-^-	Moved inwards	Moved inwards
S_+^+	Moved outwards	Moved outwards
$S_=^-$	Unchanged	Moved inwards
S_+^-	Moved outwards	Moved inwards
$S_-^=$	Moved inwards	Unchanged
S_-^+	Moved inwards	Moved outwards
$S_+^=$	Moved outwards	Unchanged
$S_=^+$	Unchanged	Moved outwards

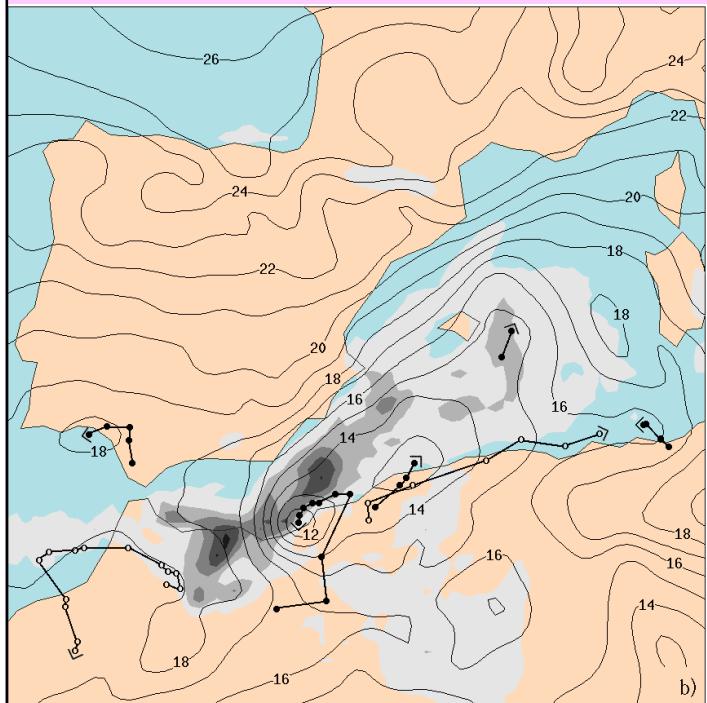


S^0_0

PV anomalies **removed or moved away** from each other



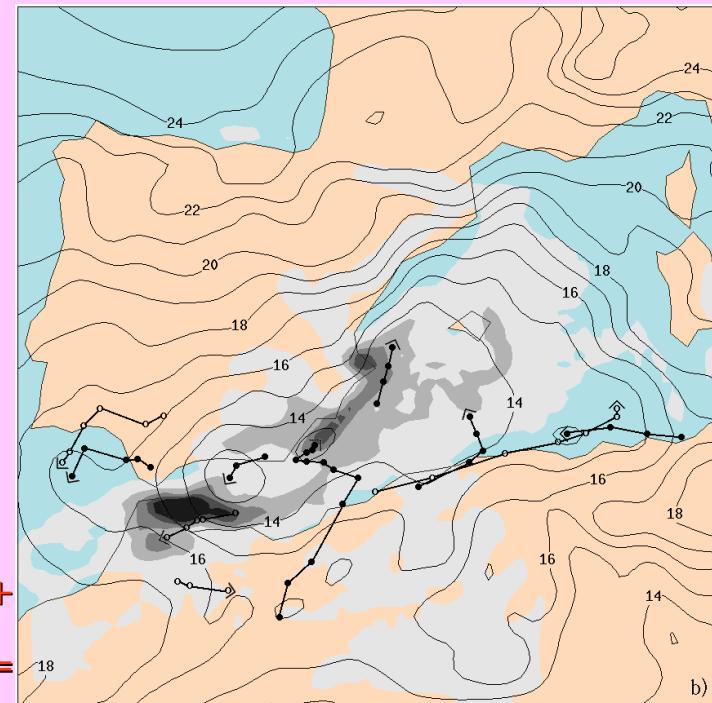
S^0_1



S^+_+
-/-

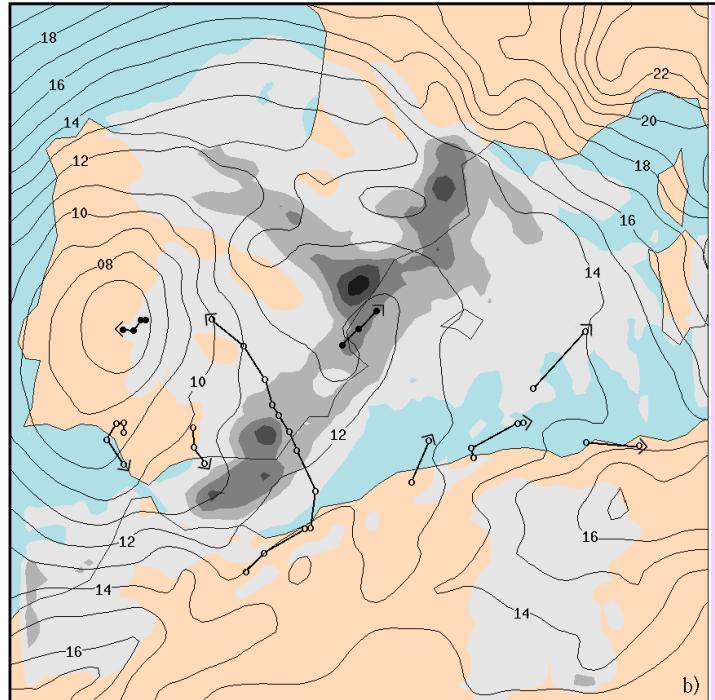
Stationary surface lows
along the **lee of the Atlas**

Rainfall restricted to the
southern Mediterranean
areas



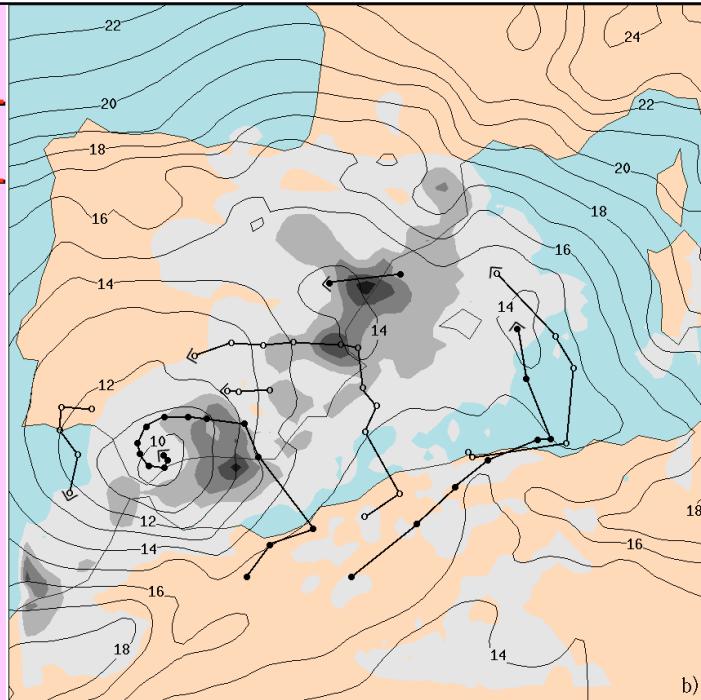
$S^+_$
=/=

FIRST GROUP (Mesoscale forecast)

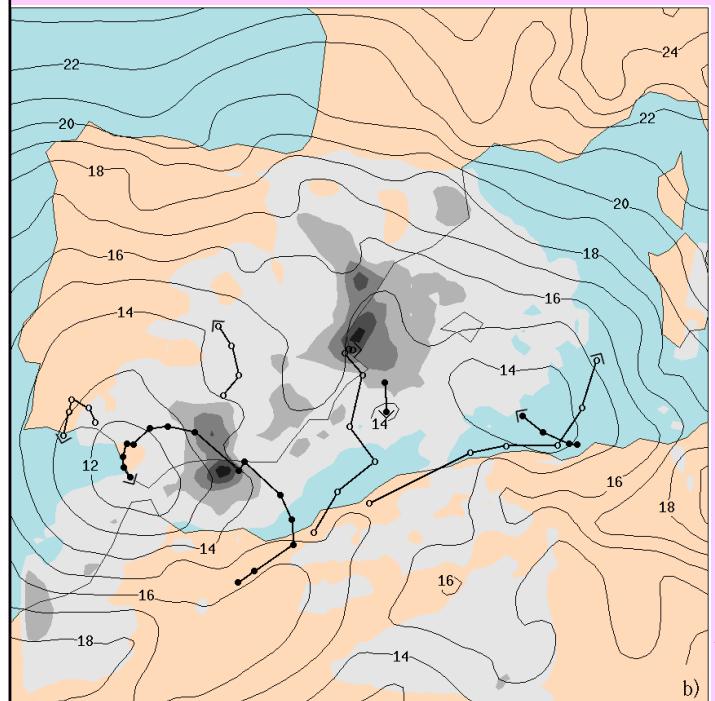


S^2

Enhanced PV structures aloft



S^-

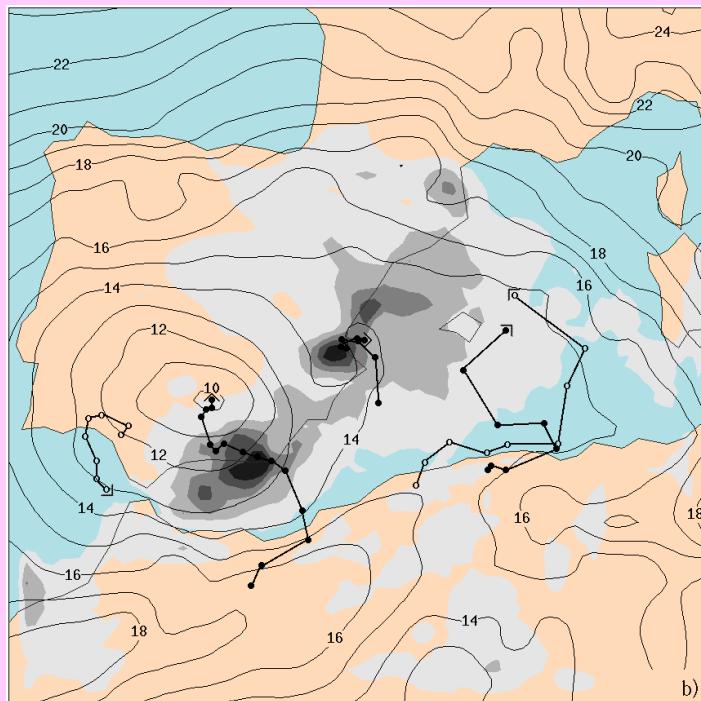


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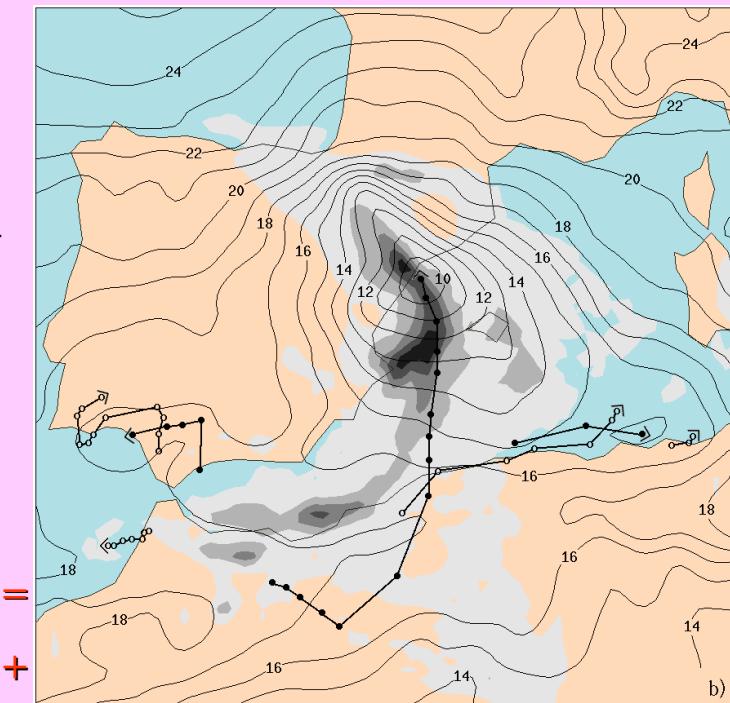
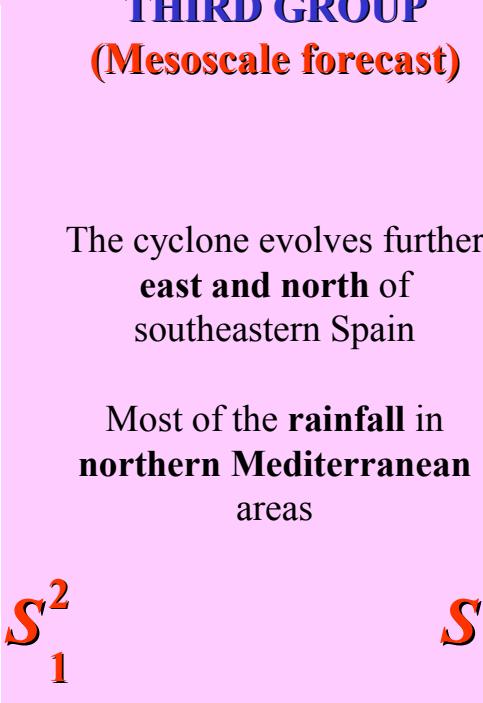
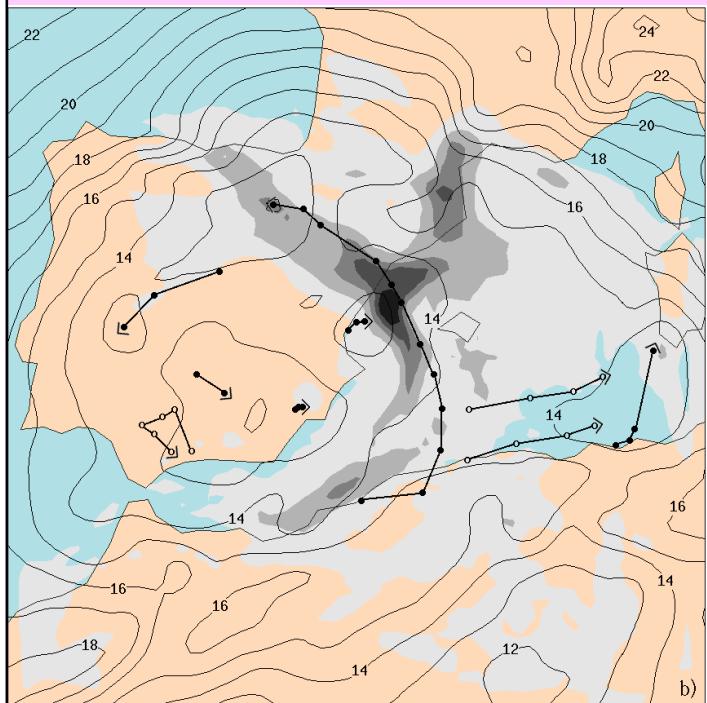
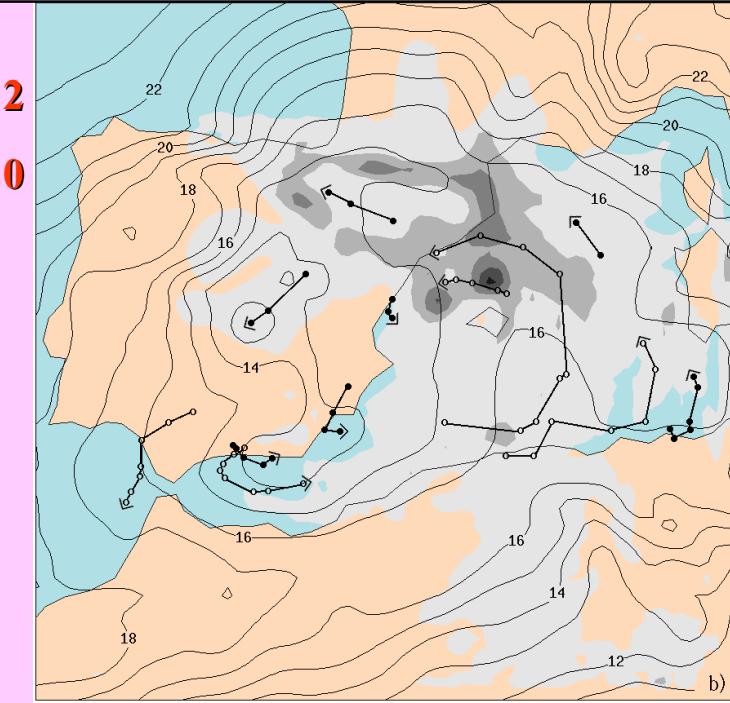
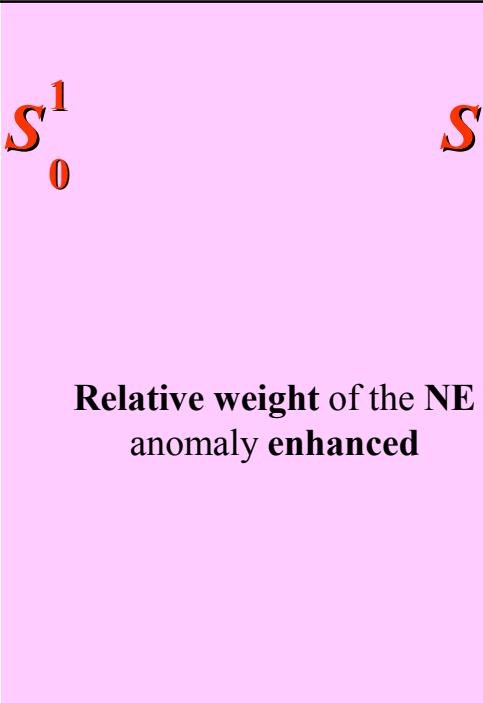
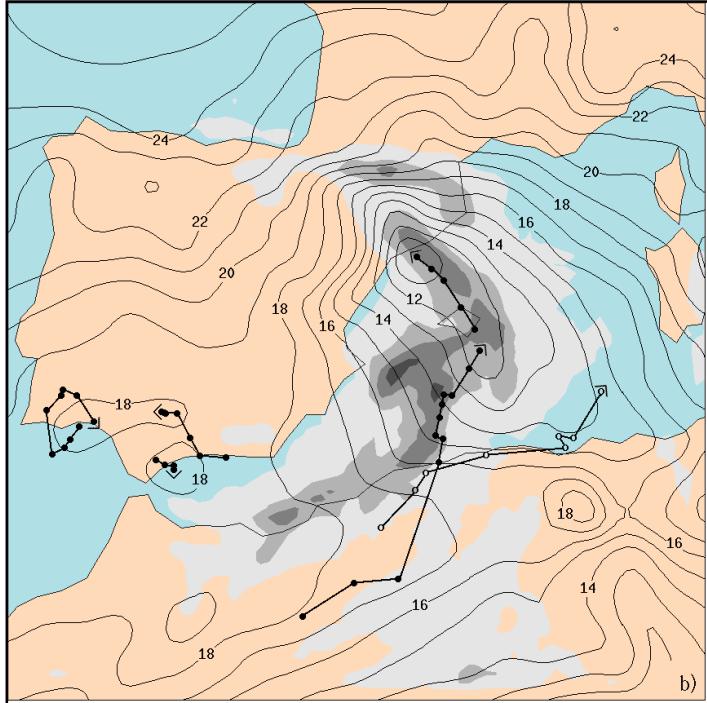
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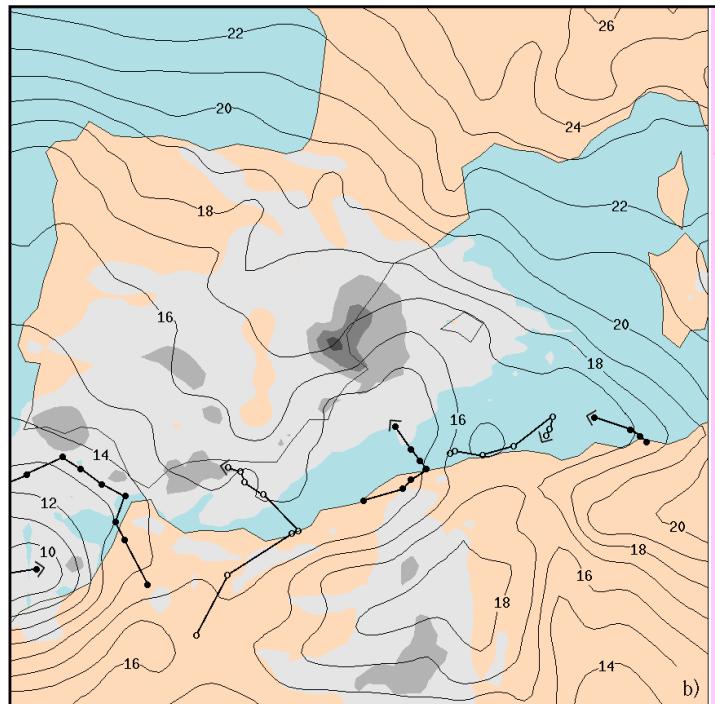
Extensive and very mobile
surface disturbances

Heavy rain in both the
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Mediterranean zones

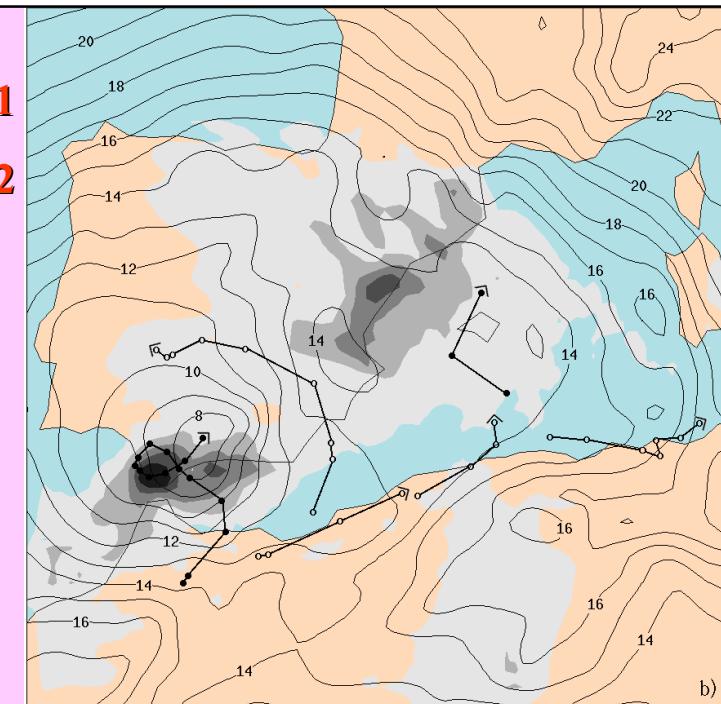


S^-



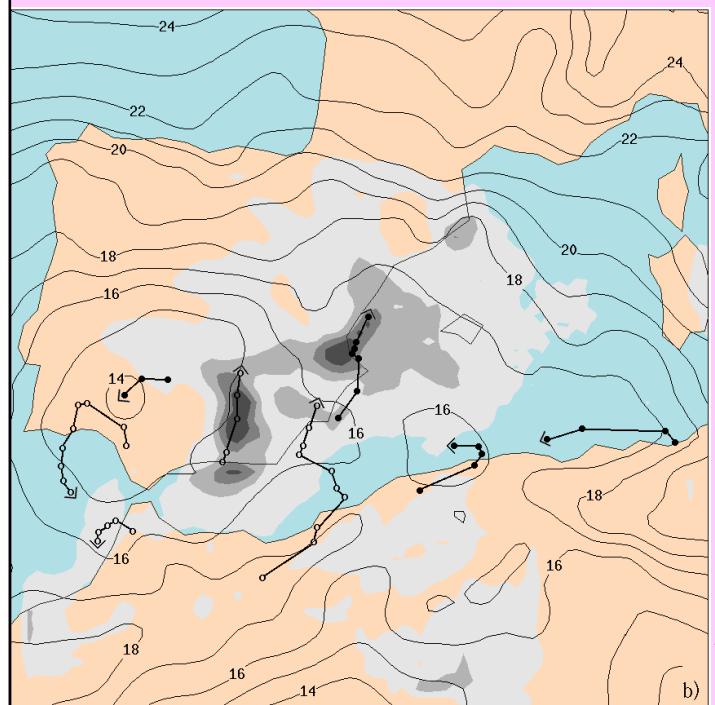


S^0_2

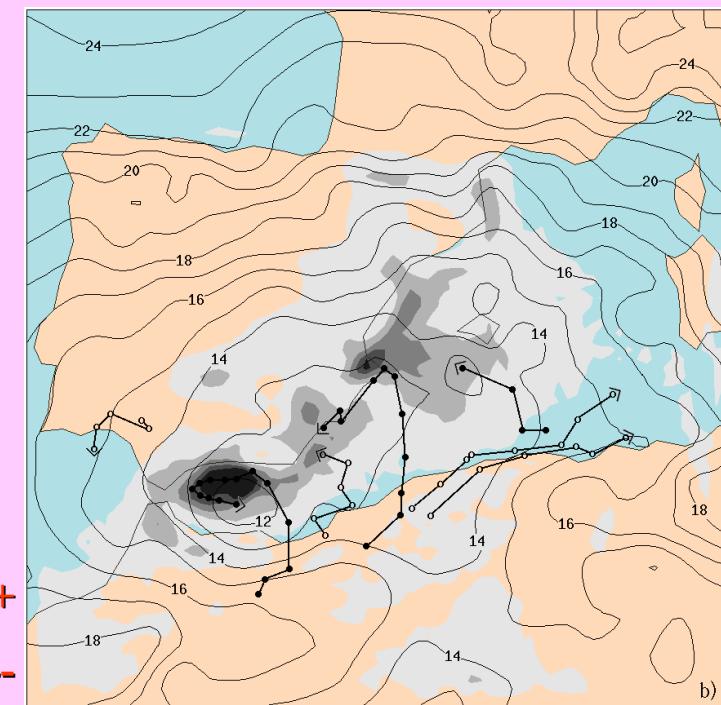


S^1_2

**OTHER CASES
(Mesoscale forecast)**

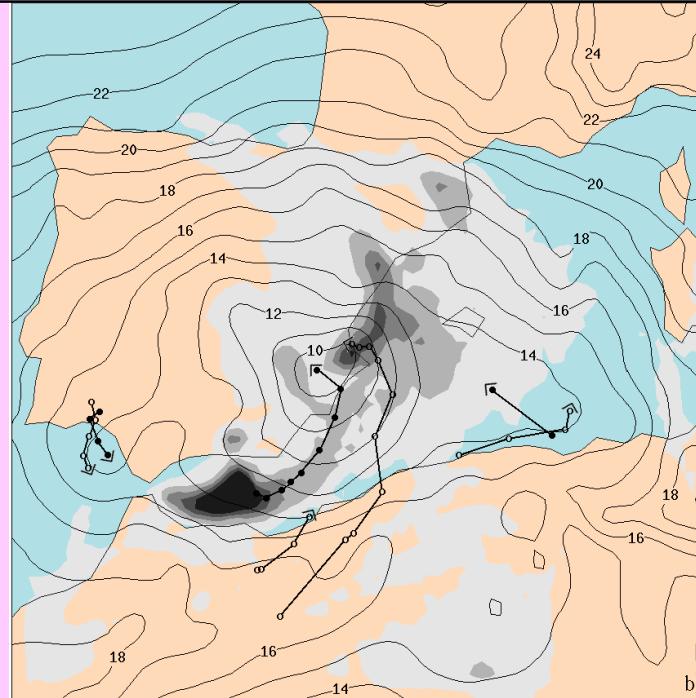


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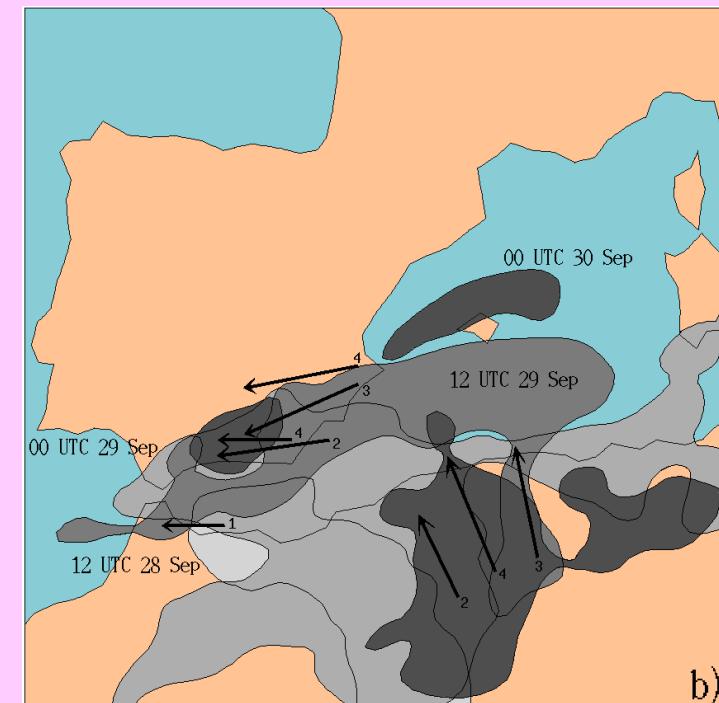
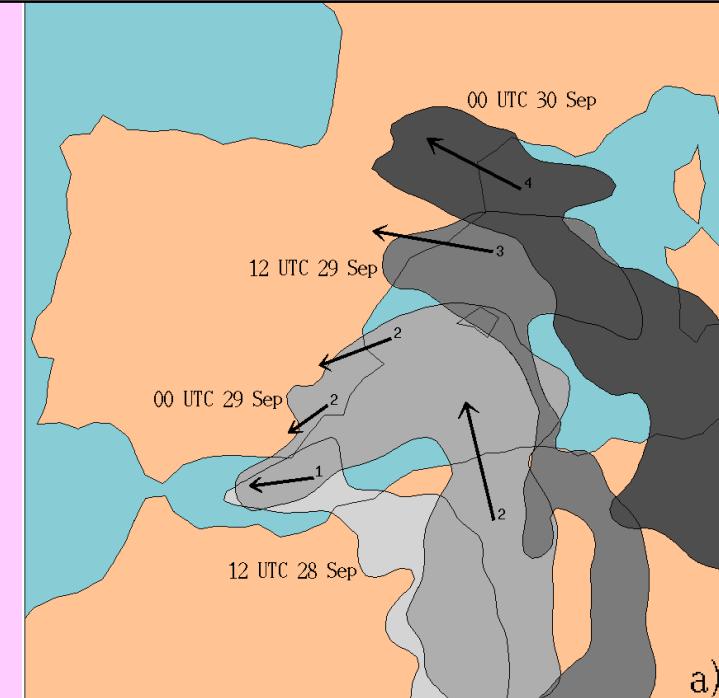
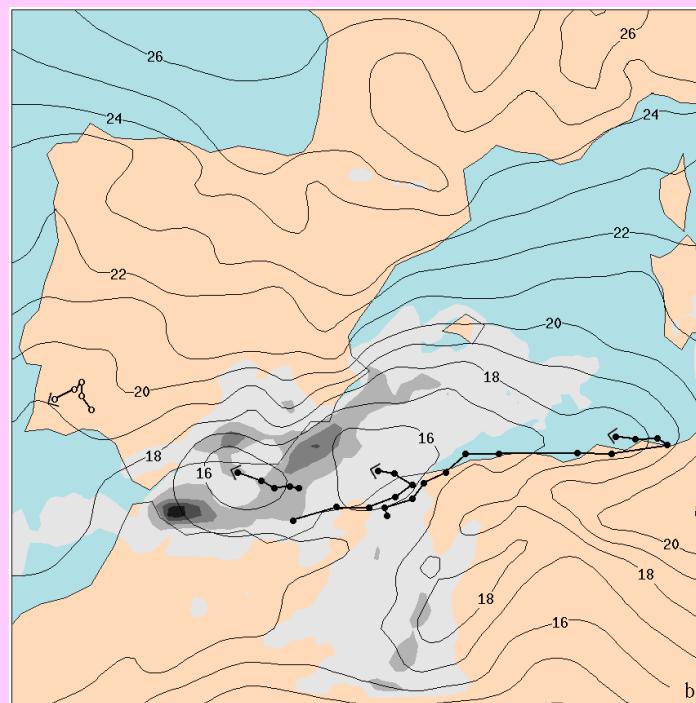
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**CONTROL
SIMULATION**



**DYNAMICAL
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**S_0^0
FIRST GROUP**



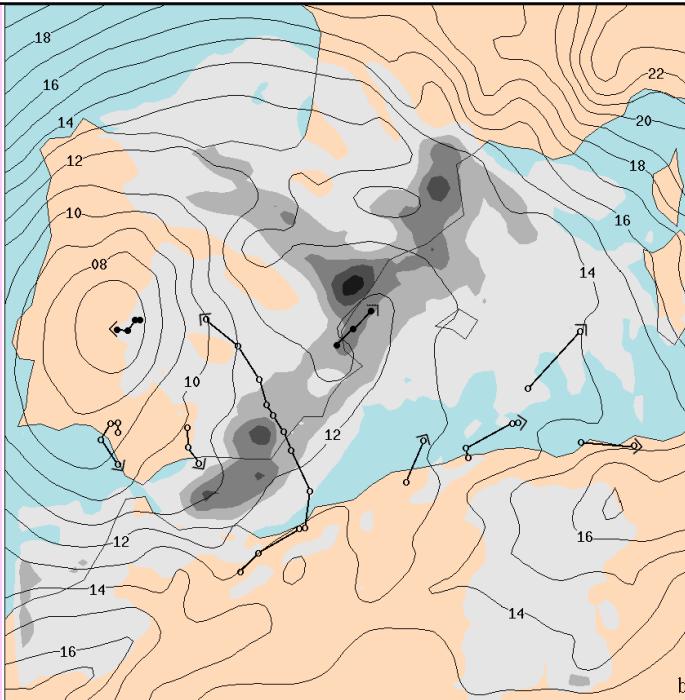
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LLJ AND MOIST TONGUE

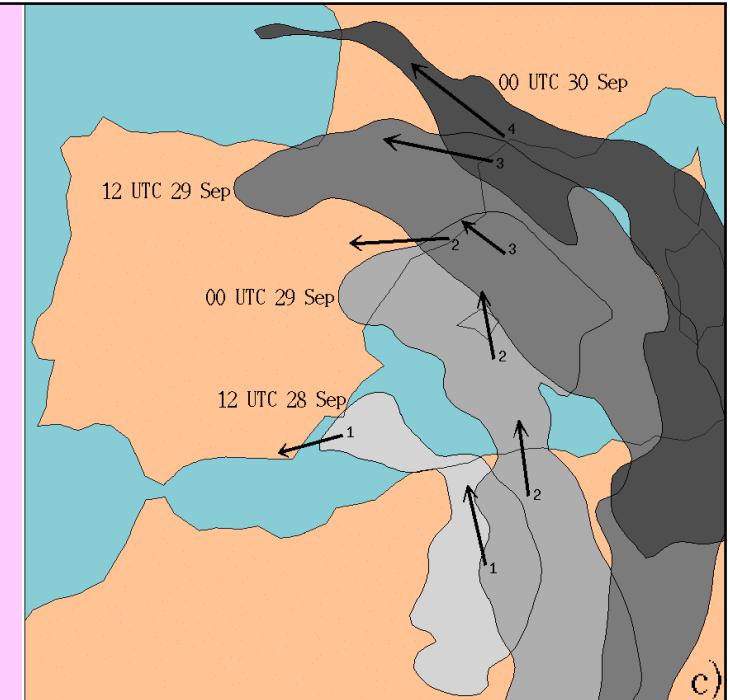
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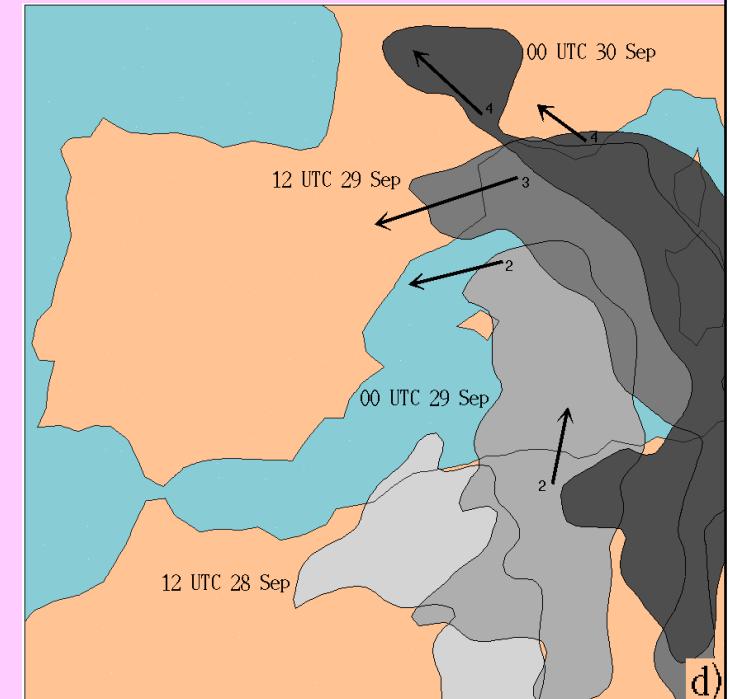
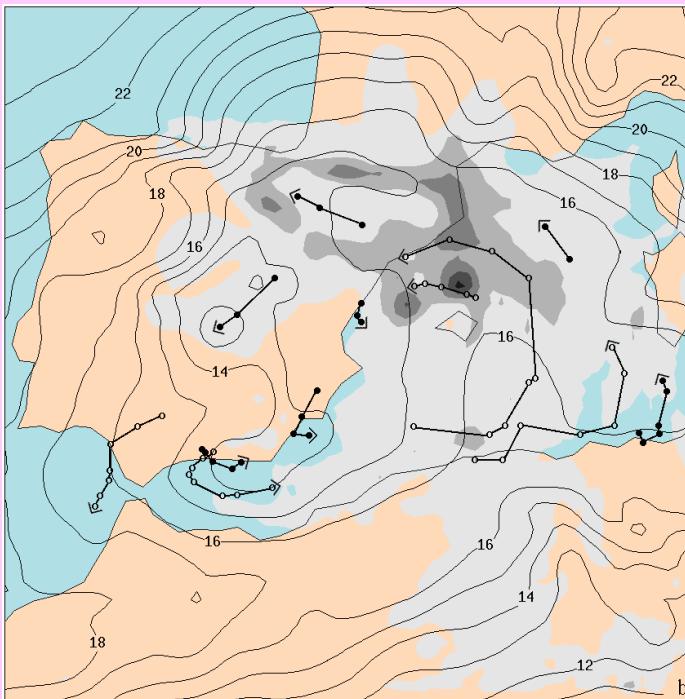
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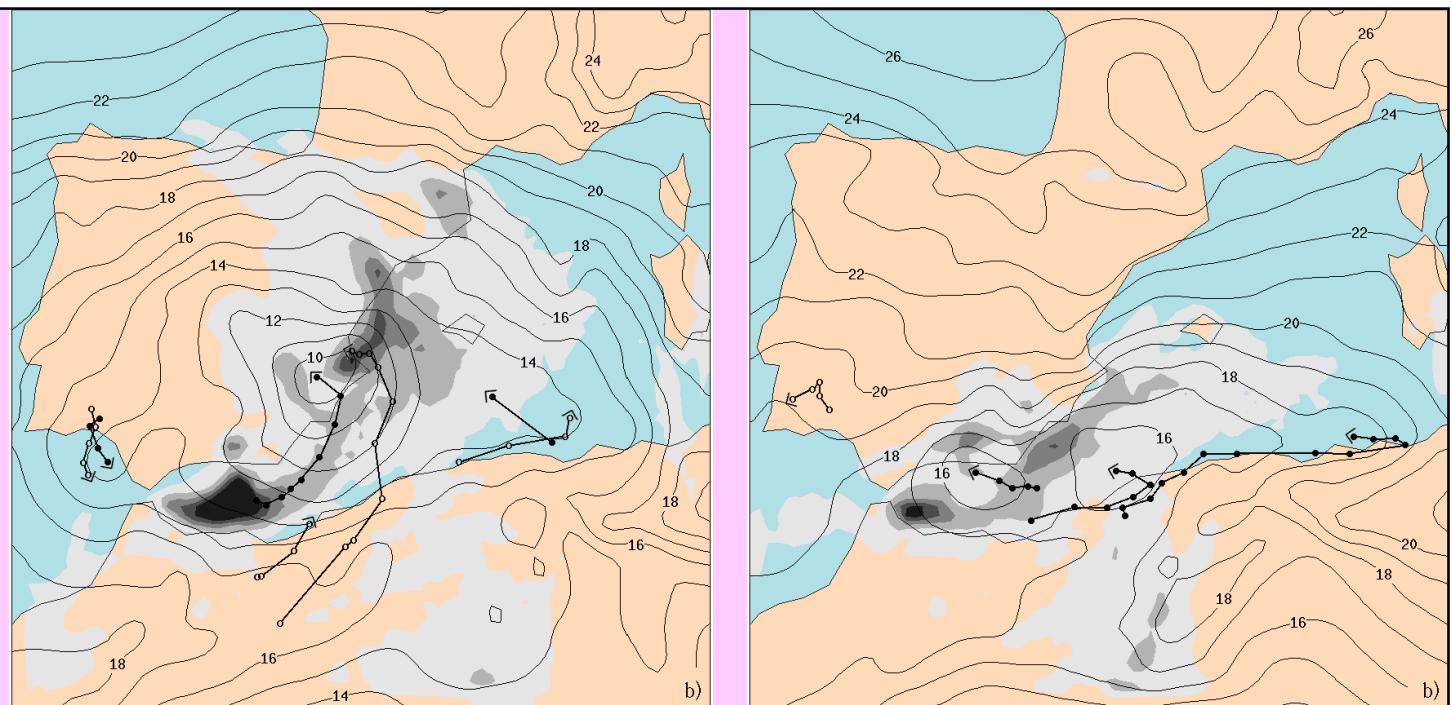
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YES - Sea evaporation

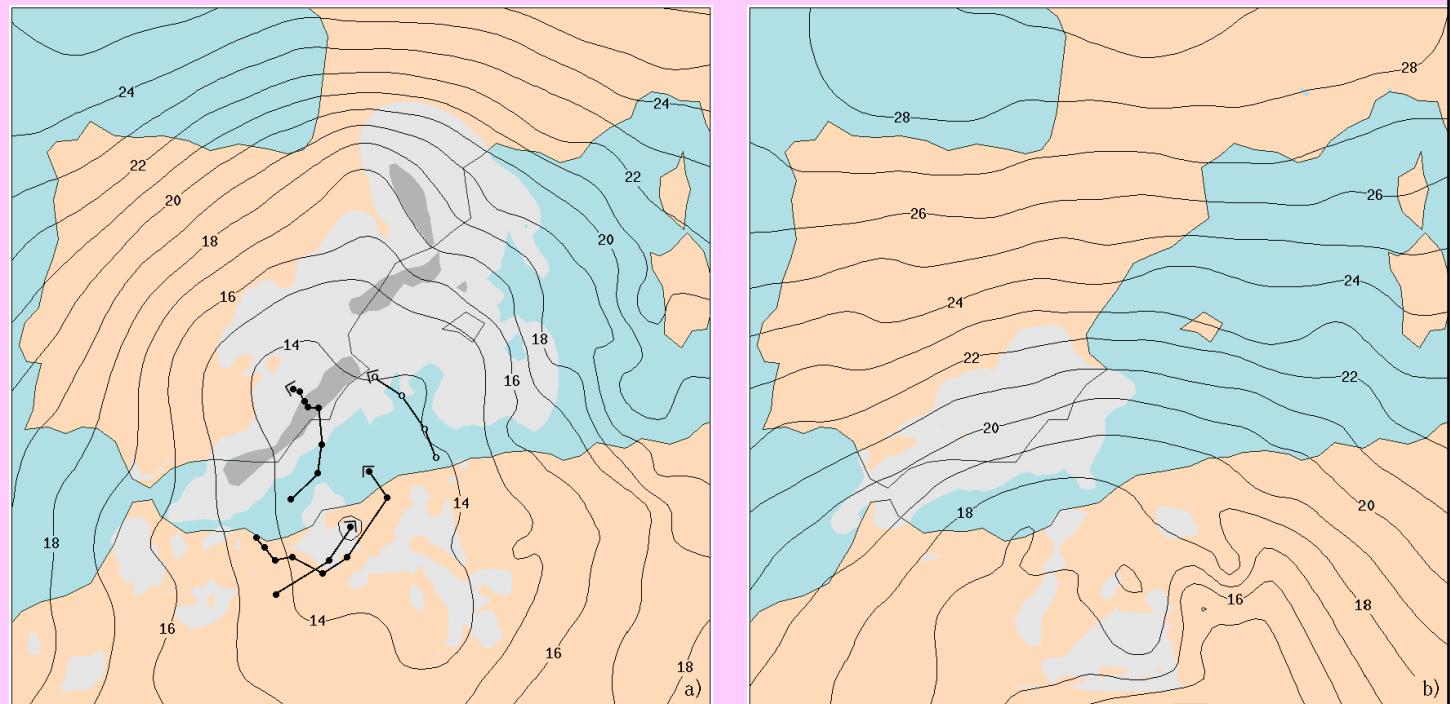
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NO - Atlas Mountains
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CONTROL SIMULATION

PV ANOMALIES REMOVED

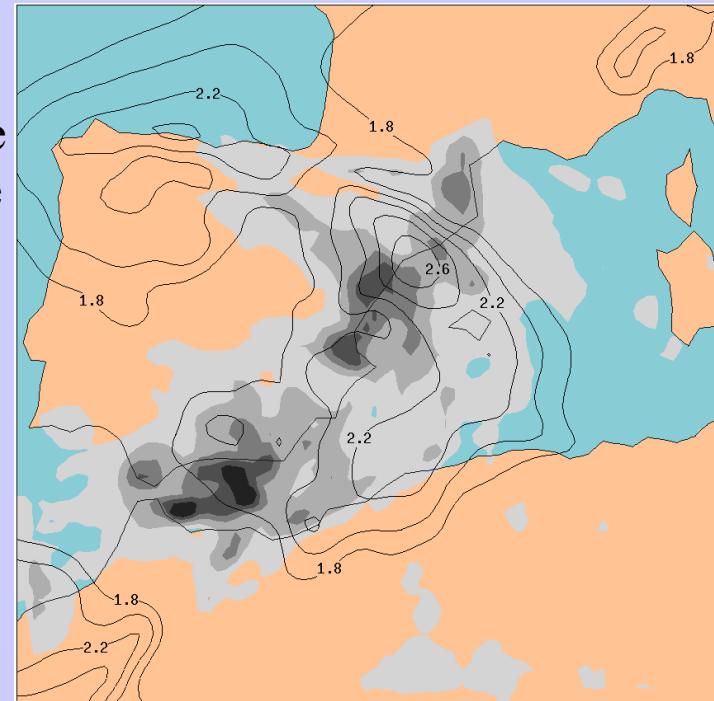


CONCLUSIONS – Part 2

- * Track, shape and intensity of the **surface cyclone** and the corresponding **rainfall pattern** are very **sensitive** to the embedded upper-level **PV anomalies**



A potential **error** in the initial representation of the **anomalies** can be **critical**



SLP-TENDENCY and RAINFALL (STD)

- * The **external factors** induced an **appreciable** modulation of the surface circulation and enhanced the efficiency of the system as a rainfall producer, **but** the cyclogenesis over the southern Mediterranean and its progression to the north must be attributed **mostly** to the action of the upper-level **PV anomalies**
- * The combined application of **piecewise PV inversion + numerical simulation** offers a **valuable framework** from which the effects of **dynamical features** of the flow can be studied

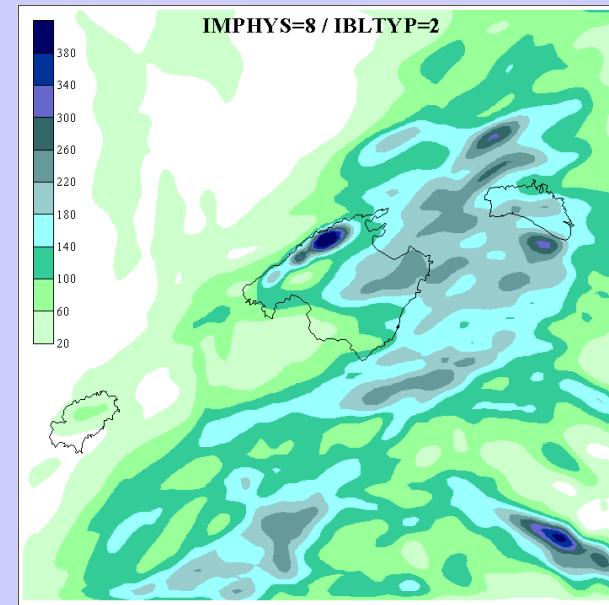
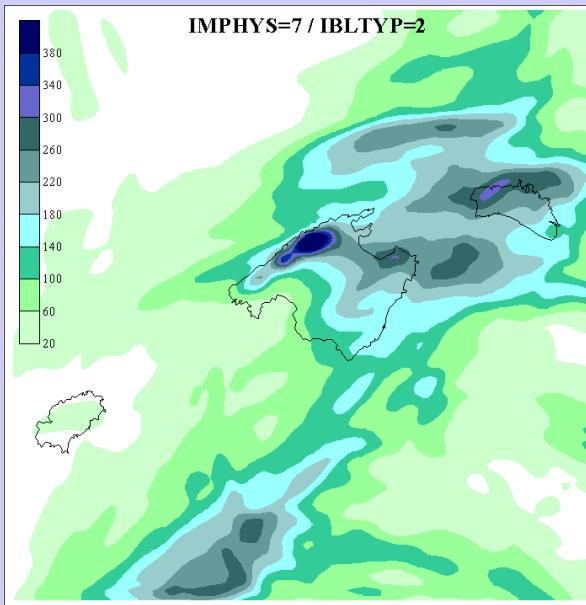
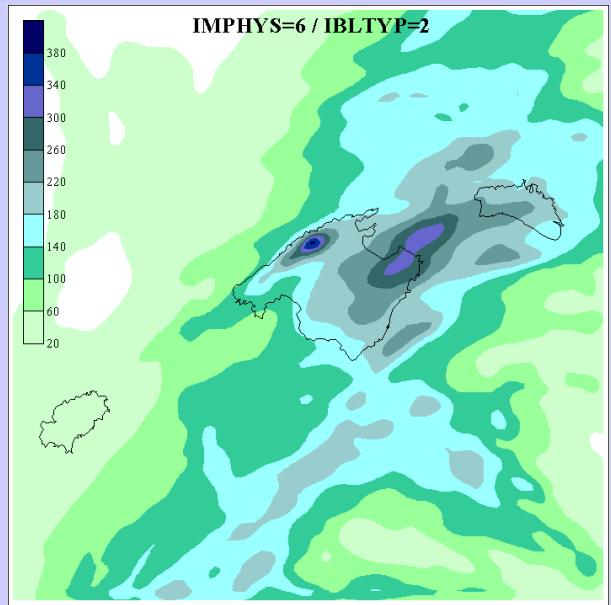
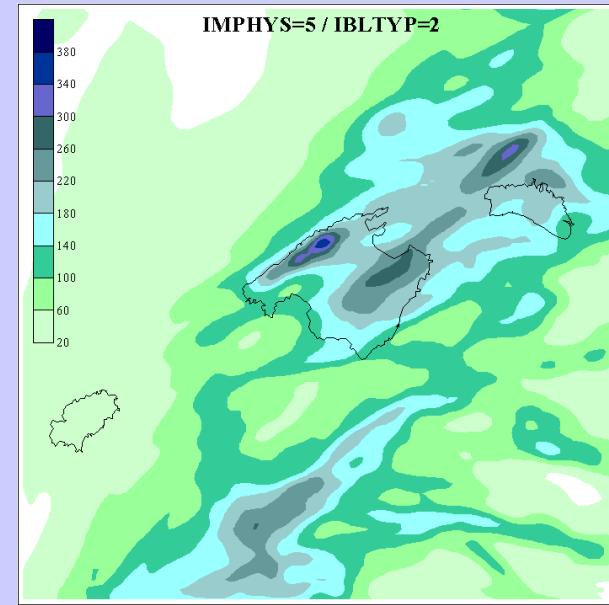
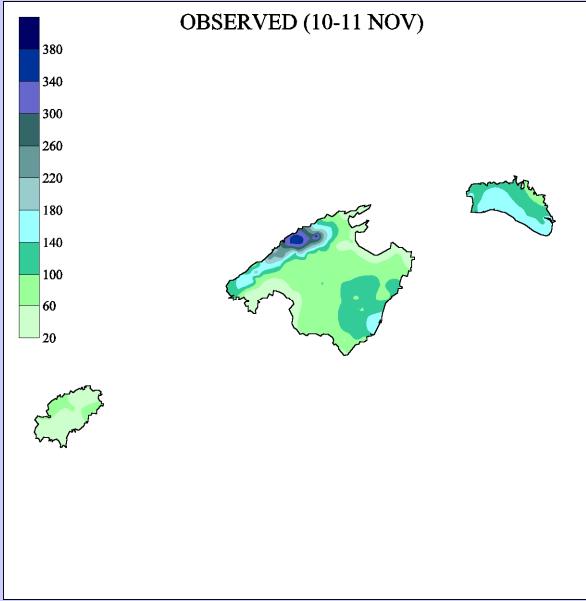
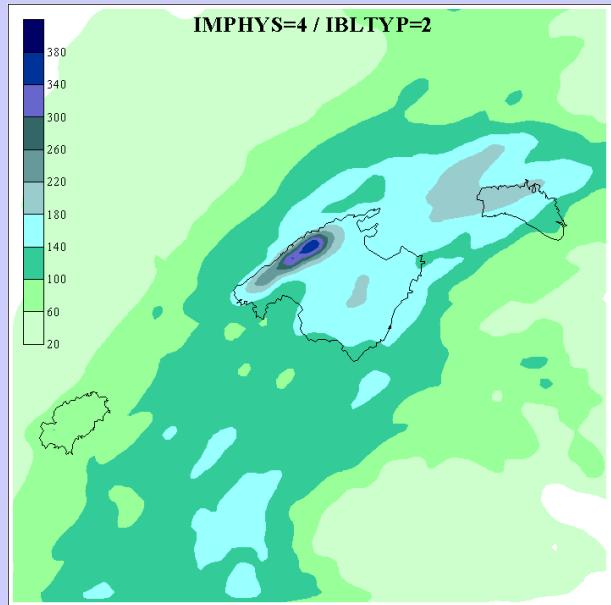
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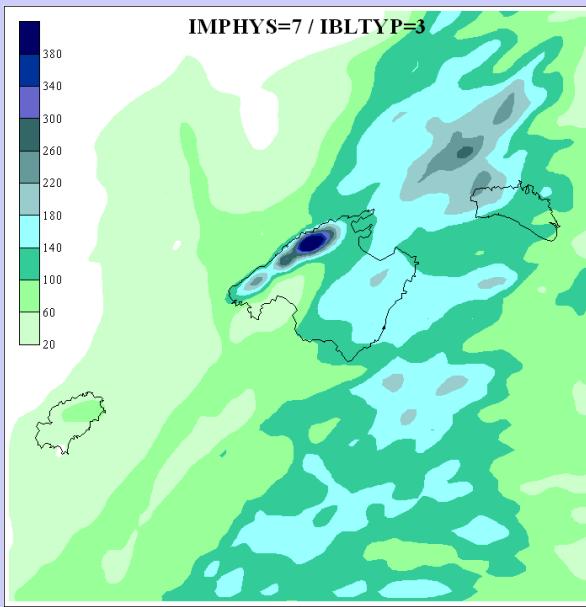
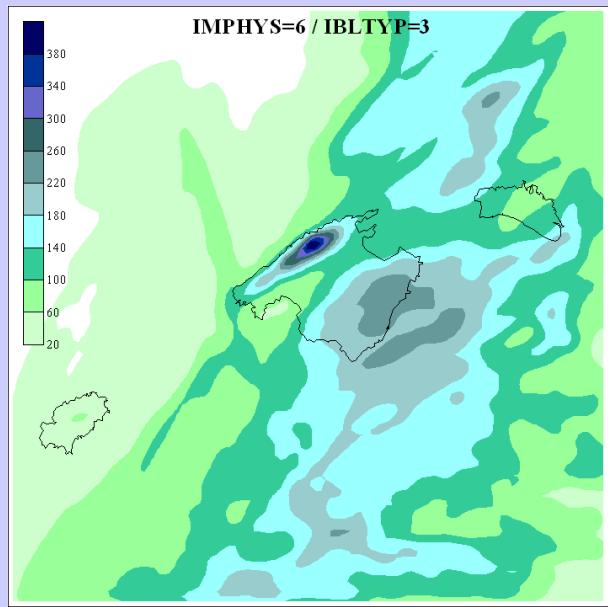
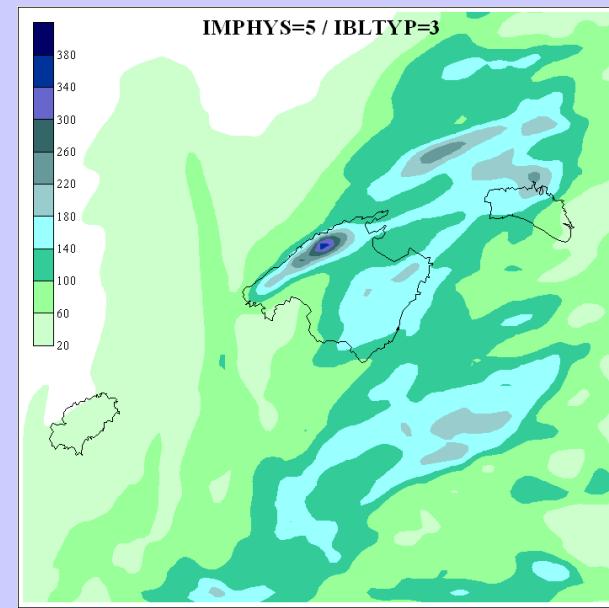
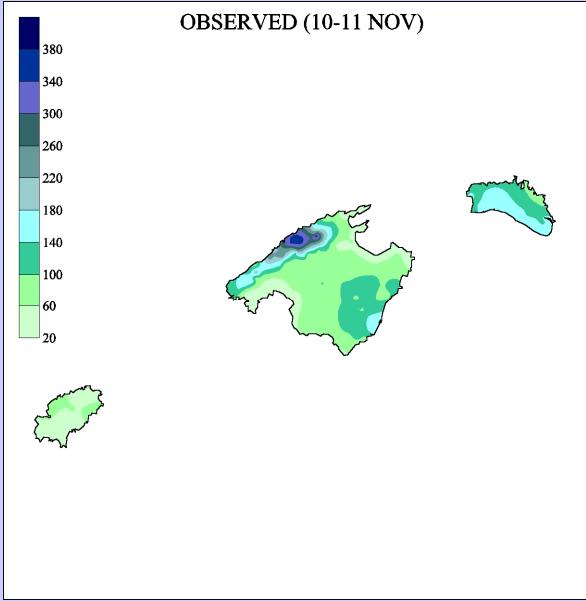
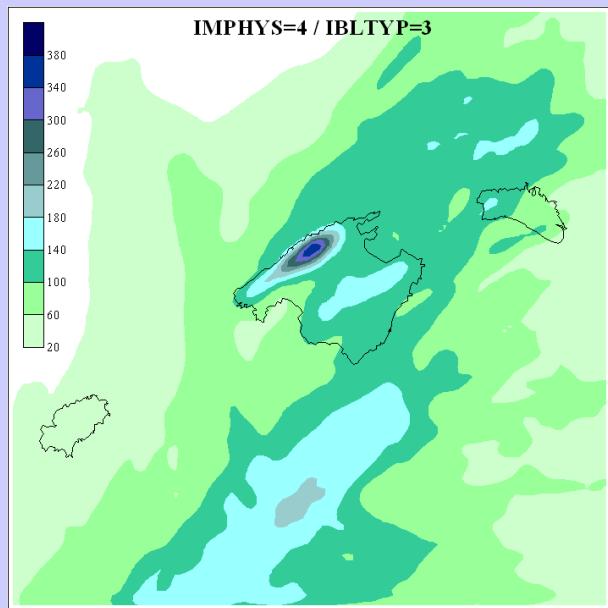
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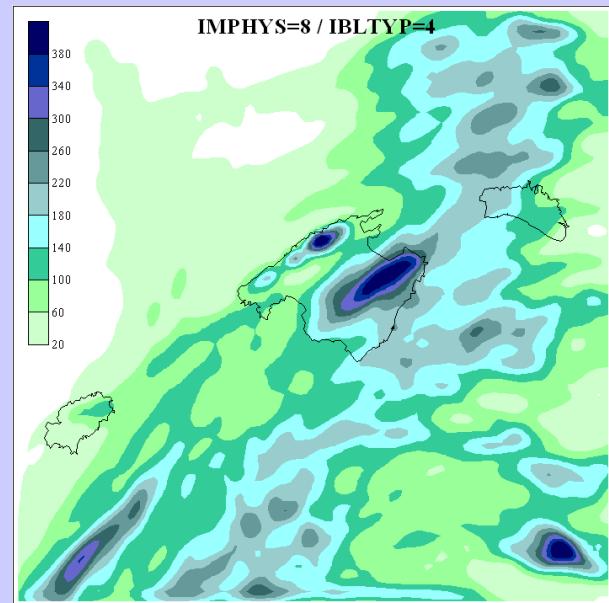
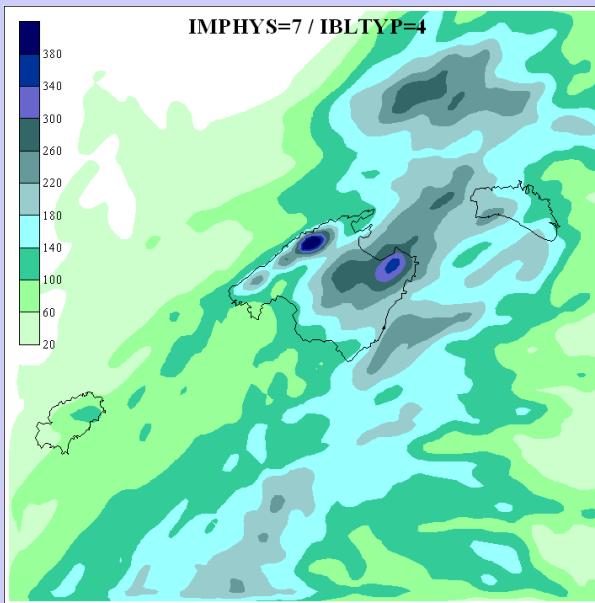
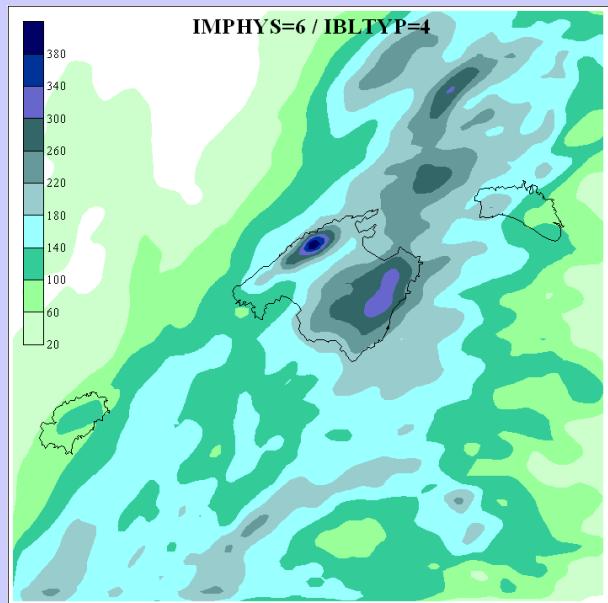
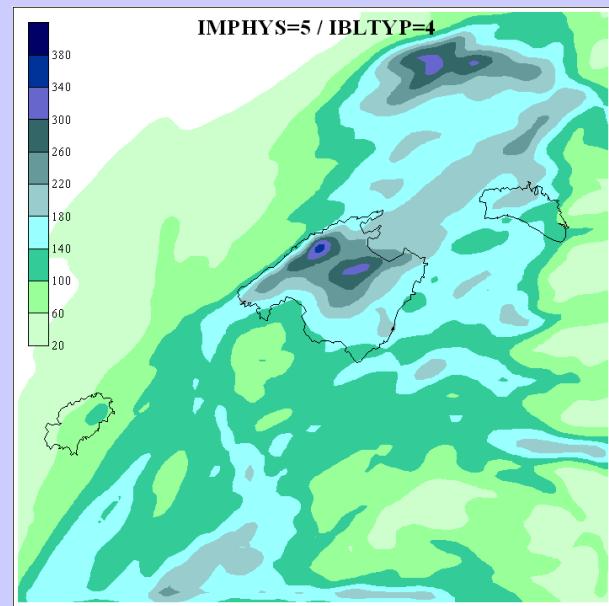
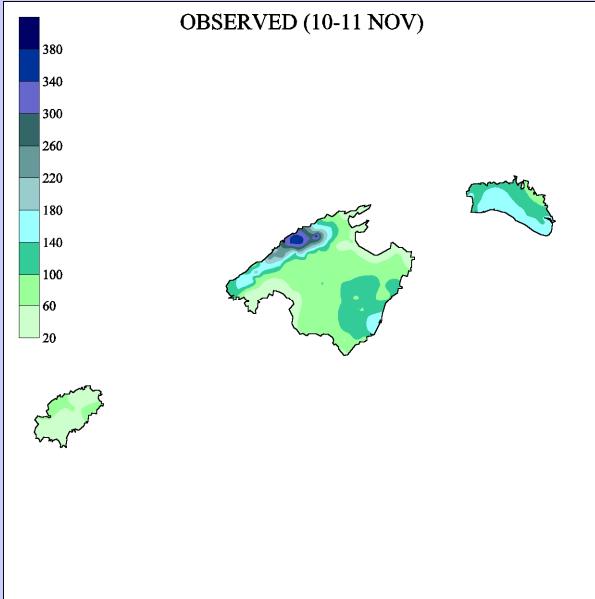
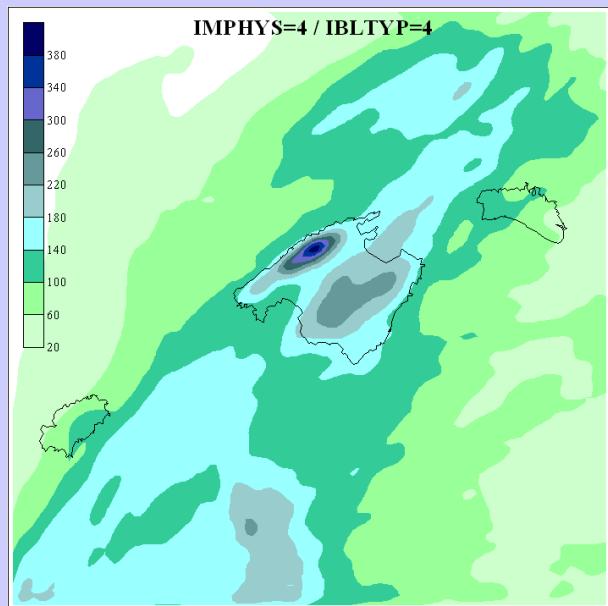
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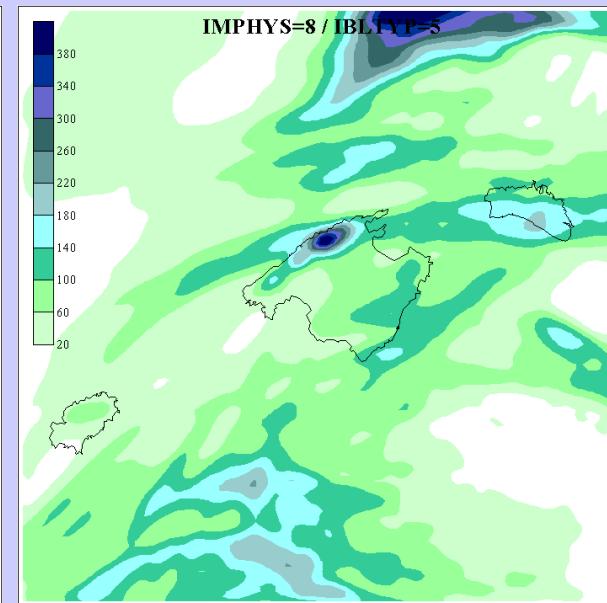
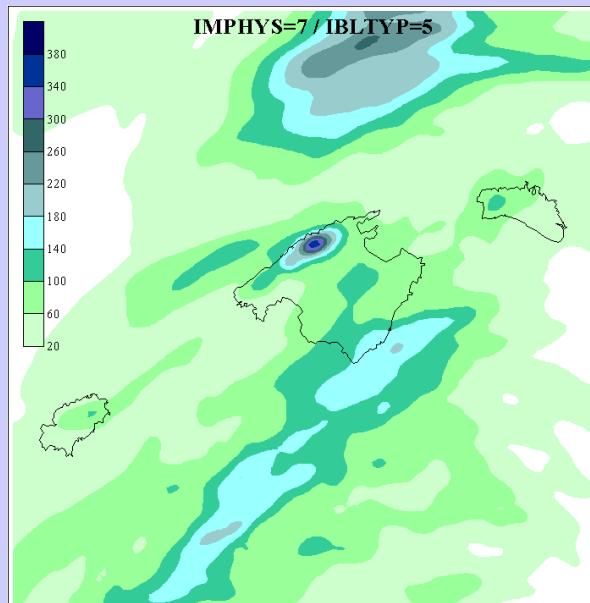
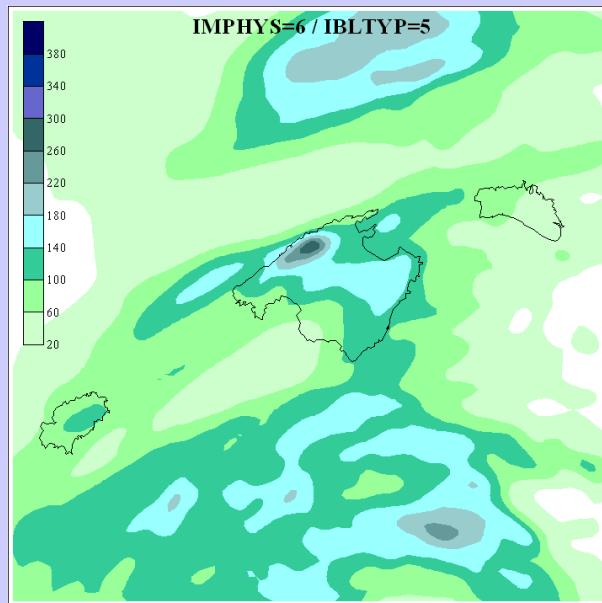
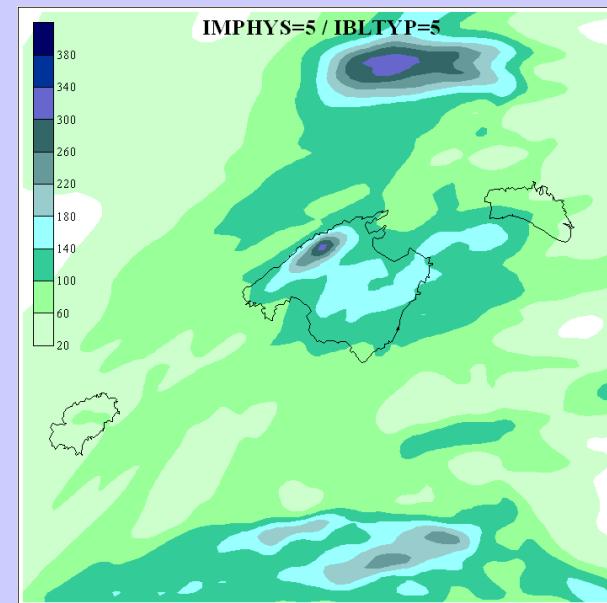
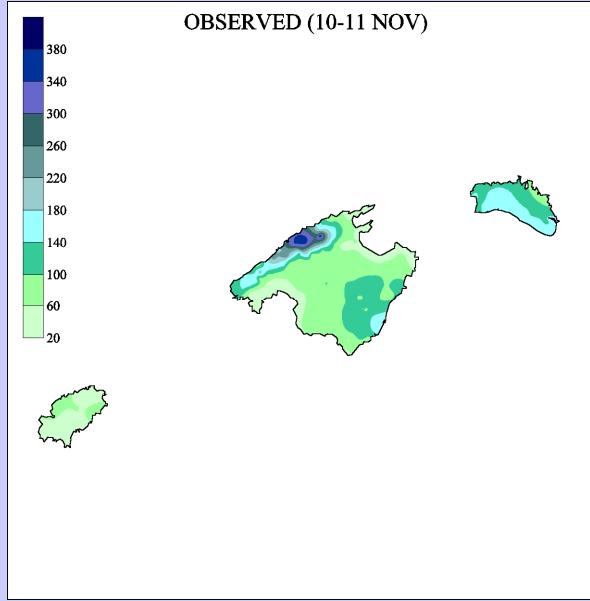
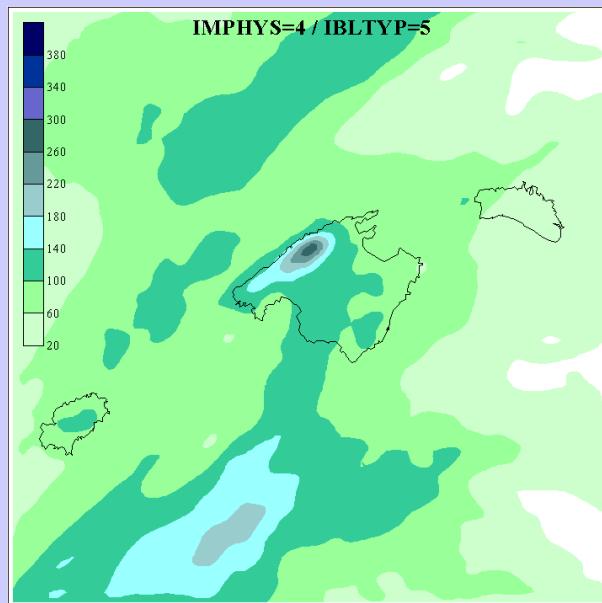
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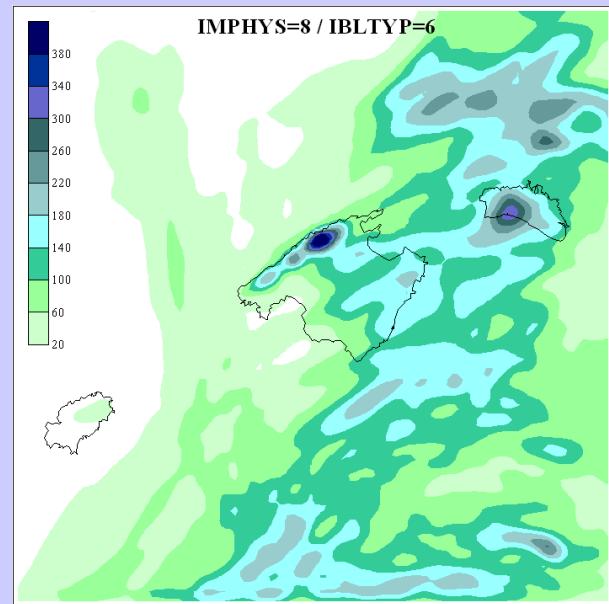
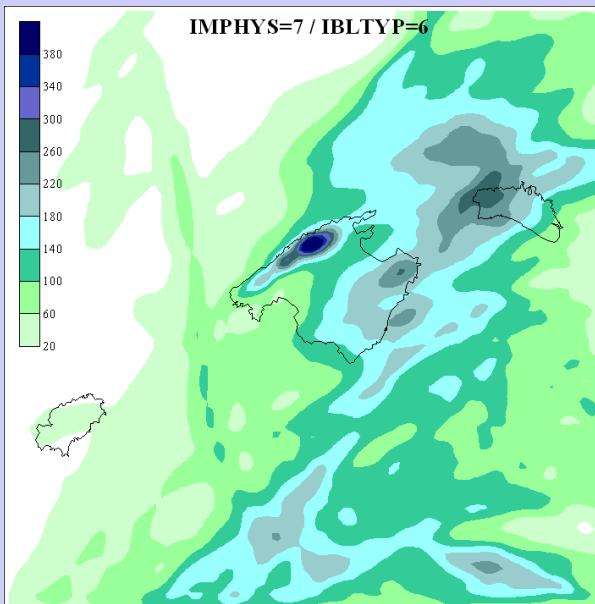
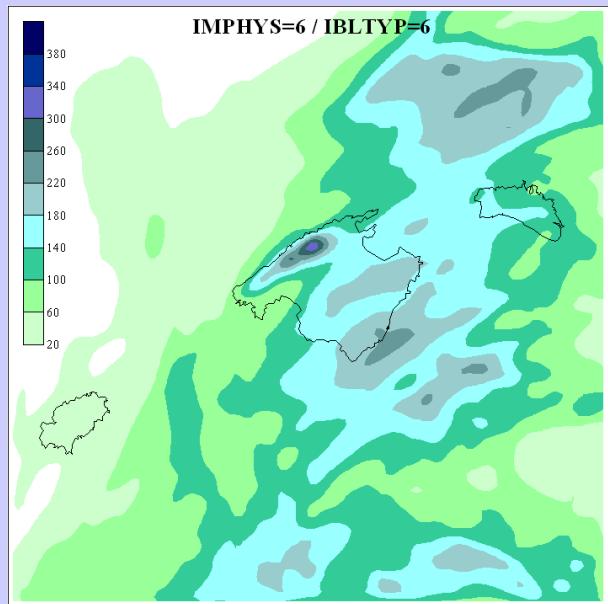
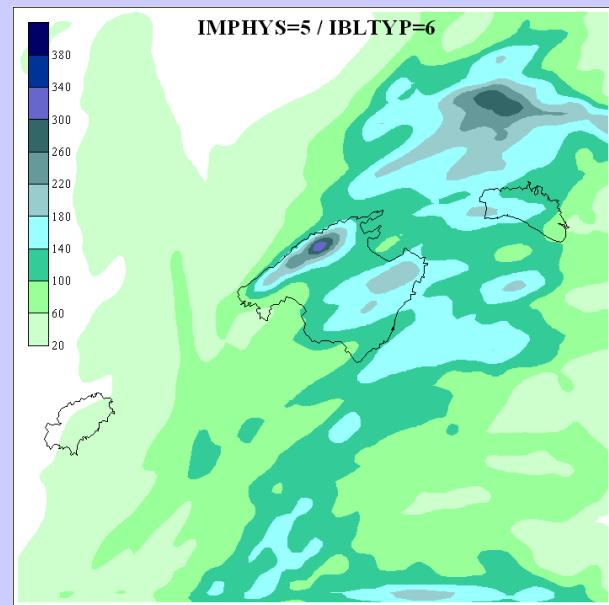
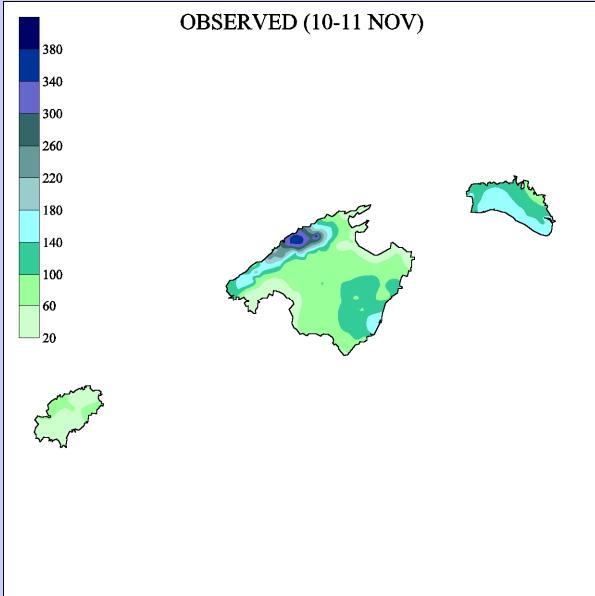
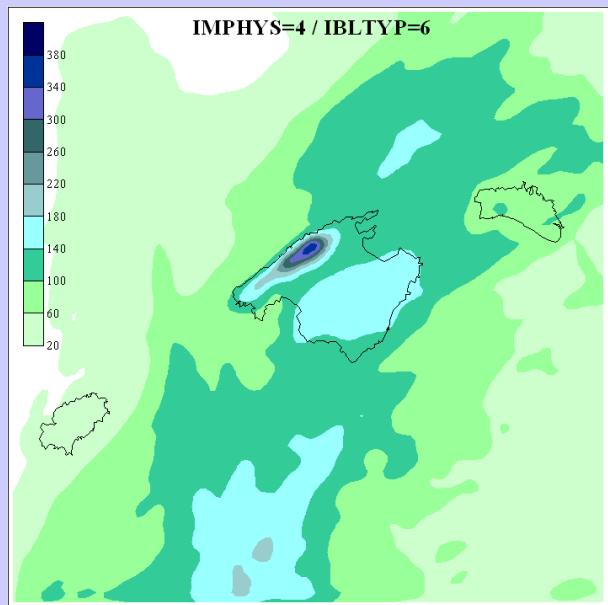
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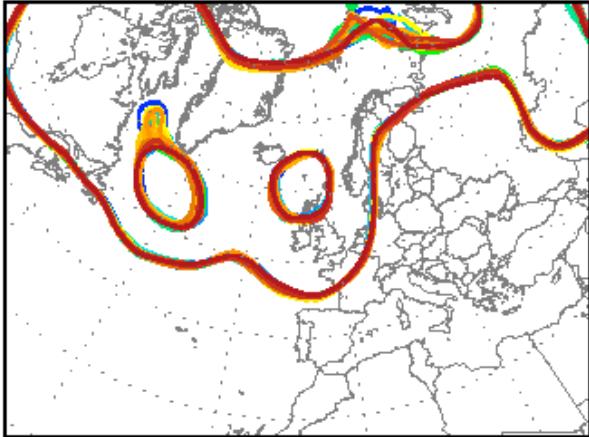






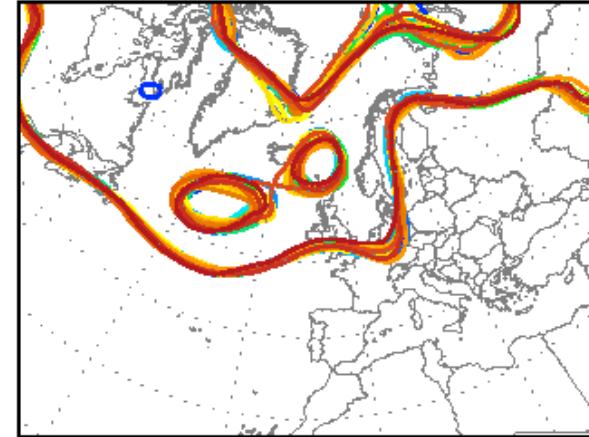
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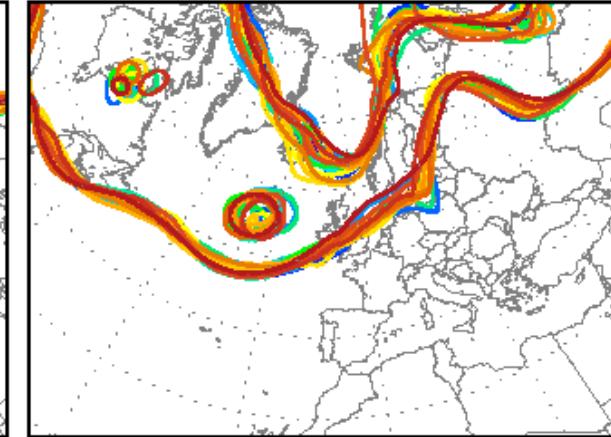
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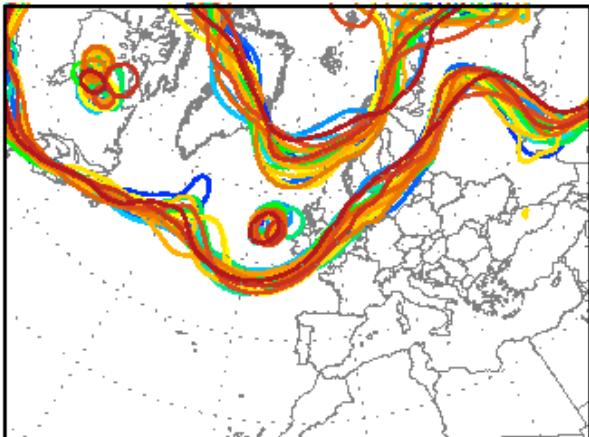
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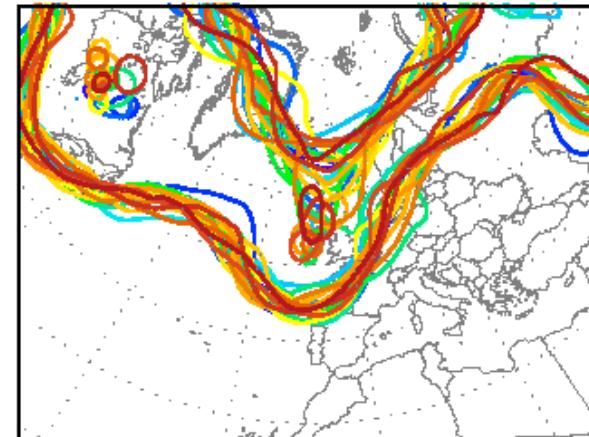
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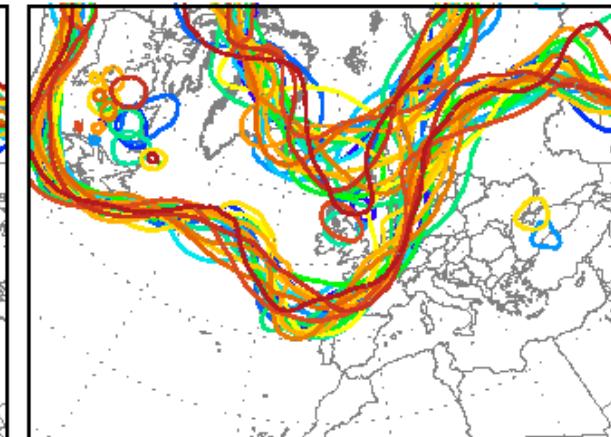
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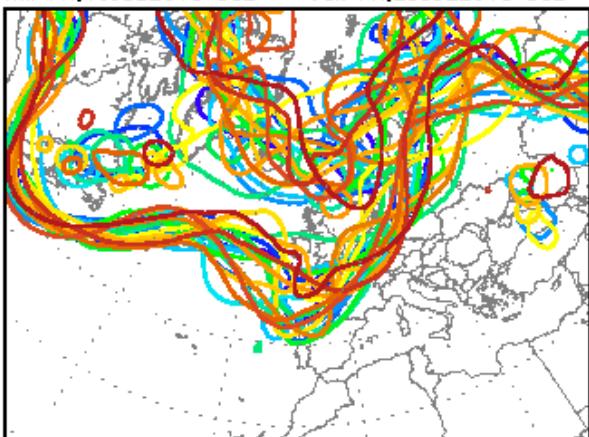
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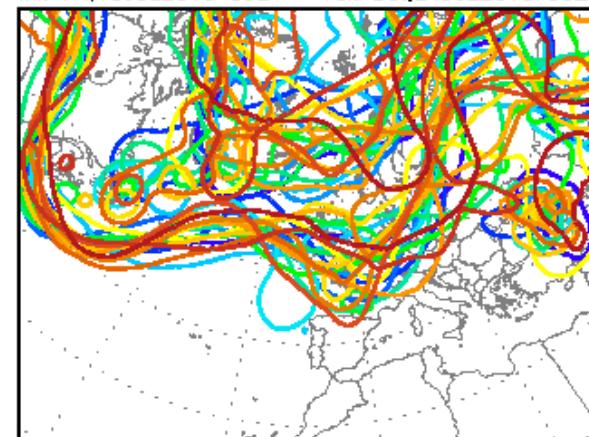
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