

Climate Project



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The Committent



- The Earth System Physics Section ESP of ICTP
 - The Regional Climate Model is developed at ICTP
 - Retrieve GCM data from remote sites and prepare RegCM ICBC
 - Run RegCM model on multiple domains
 - Extract publication ready plots from output
 - An increasing volume of data from Global Model
 - An increasing volume of data from Regional Climate Model
 - An increasing number of users download data from ICTP proxy
 - A naïve set of tools to build Initial and Boundary Conditions
 - A naïve set of tools for data Analysis and Visualization

The Project(s)



Python projects !

- ① Create a new Terrain / ICBC for RegCM model in Python using:
 - netCDF4 <https://github.com/Unidata/netcdf4-python>
 - ESMP <https://earthsystemcog.org/projects/esmp>
- ② Create a new Postprocessing for RegCM model output using:
 - netCDF4 <https://github.com/Unidata/netcdf4-python>
 - ESMP <https://earthsystemcog.org/projects/esmp>
 - cartopy <http://scitools.org.uk/cartopy>
 - matplotlib <http://matplotlib.org>

Wait !

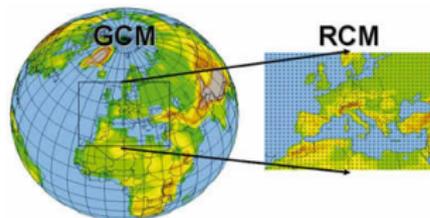


- Only one of the two projects can be realized...

Challenges of Project 1 : The Pre-Processing



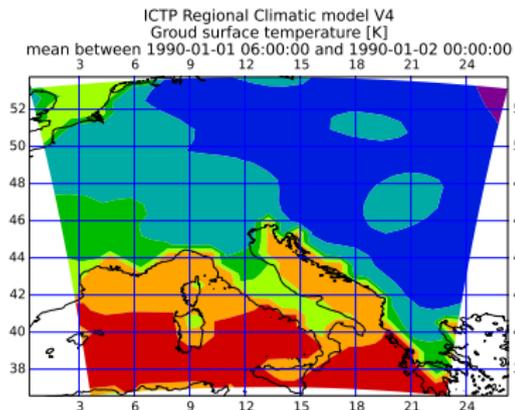
- Quirks of different GCMs
- Move users to the CMIP5 Earth System Grid sites for input data
- Regridding to a projected grid
- Horizontal and vertical interpolations involved
- The output file must be readable by the RegCM



Challenges of Project 2 : The Post-Processing



- Create a processing tool to convert data in CORDEX format
- Extract relevant statistics from data (mean, extremes, indices)
- Create plots to compare data to regridded observation datasets
- Distribute data for researchers worldwide



Reward



- The developed tools will be available in the RegCM community !

Enlist !