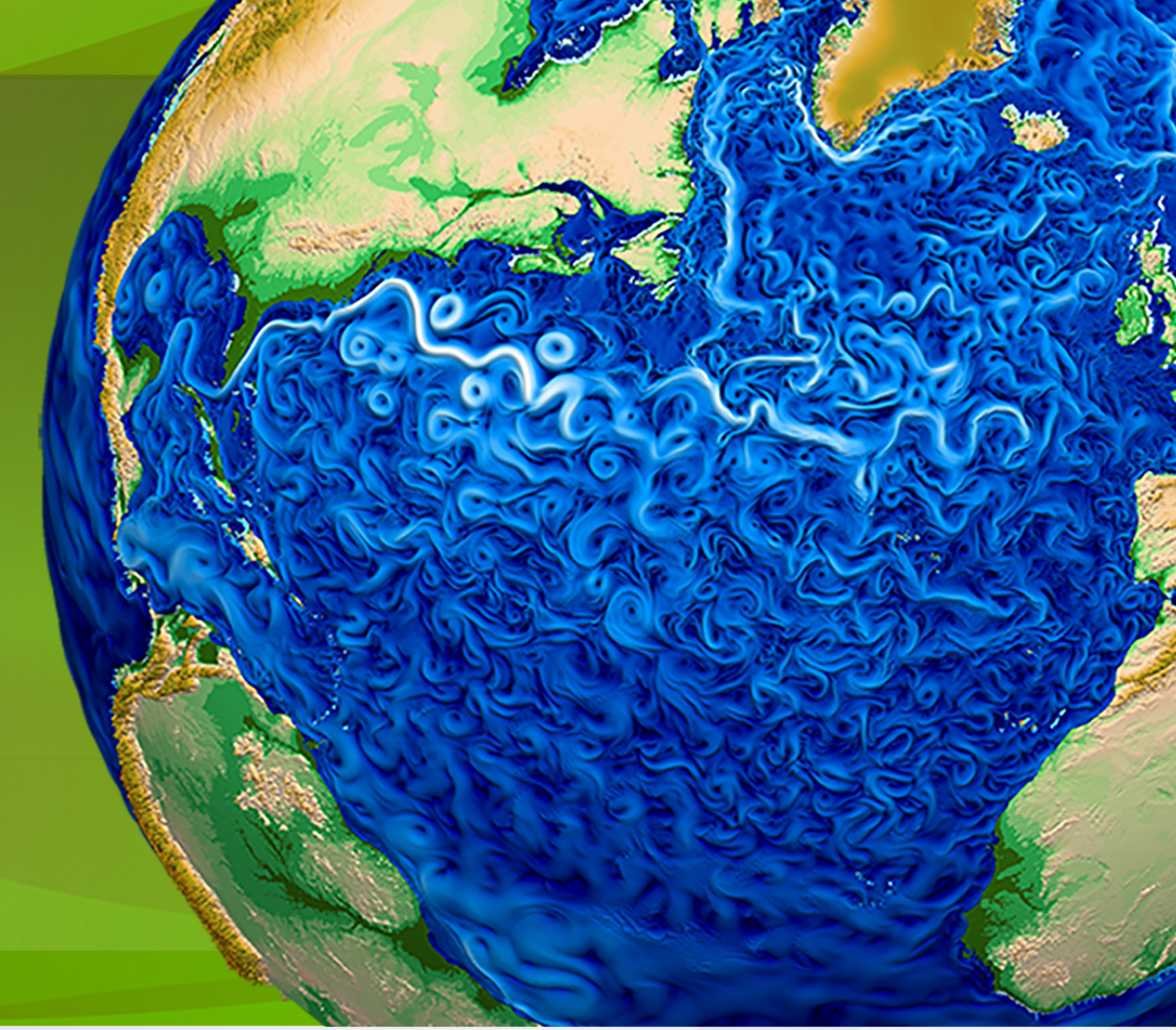


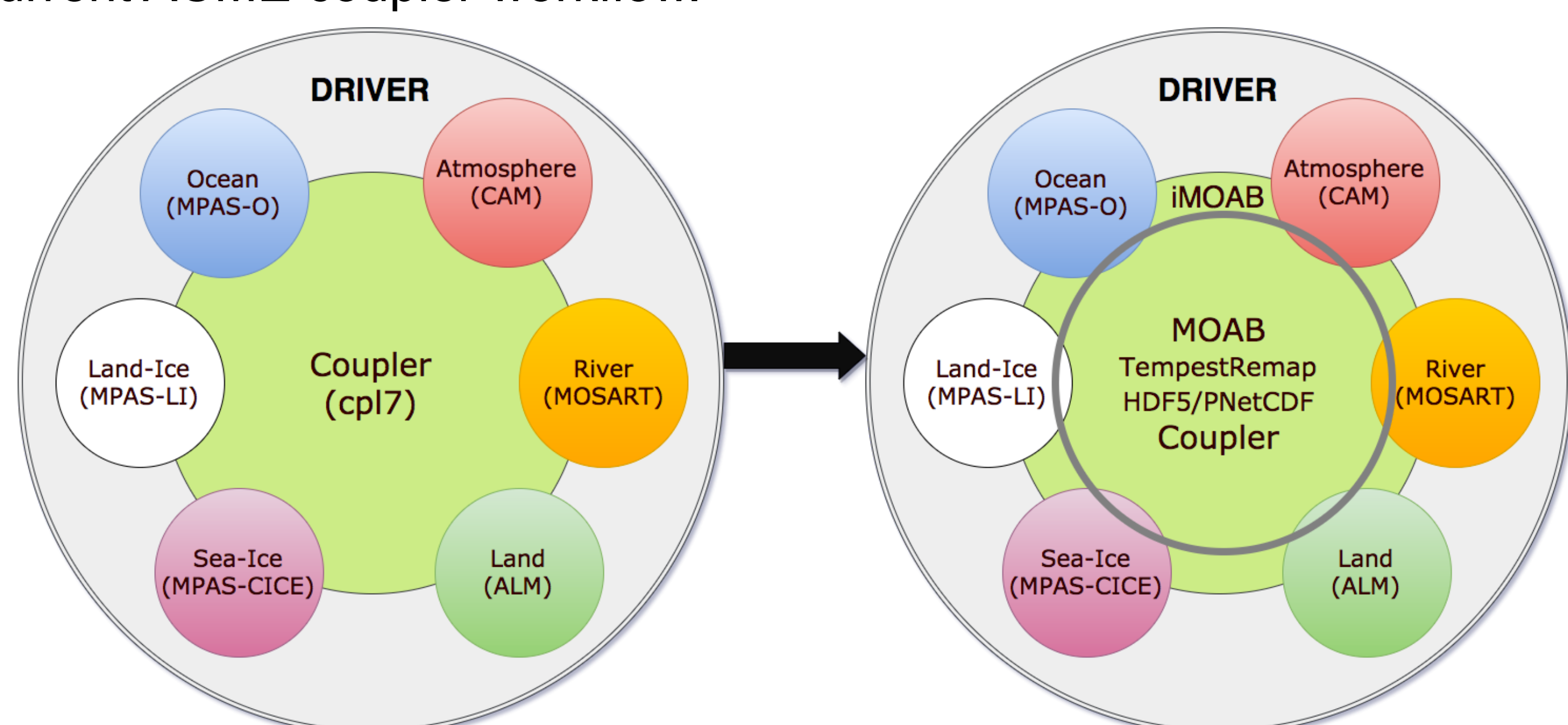
# F: Improving Coupling Workflow in ACME

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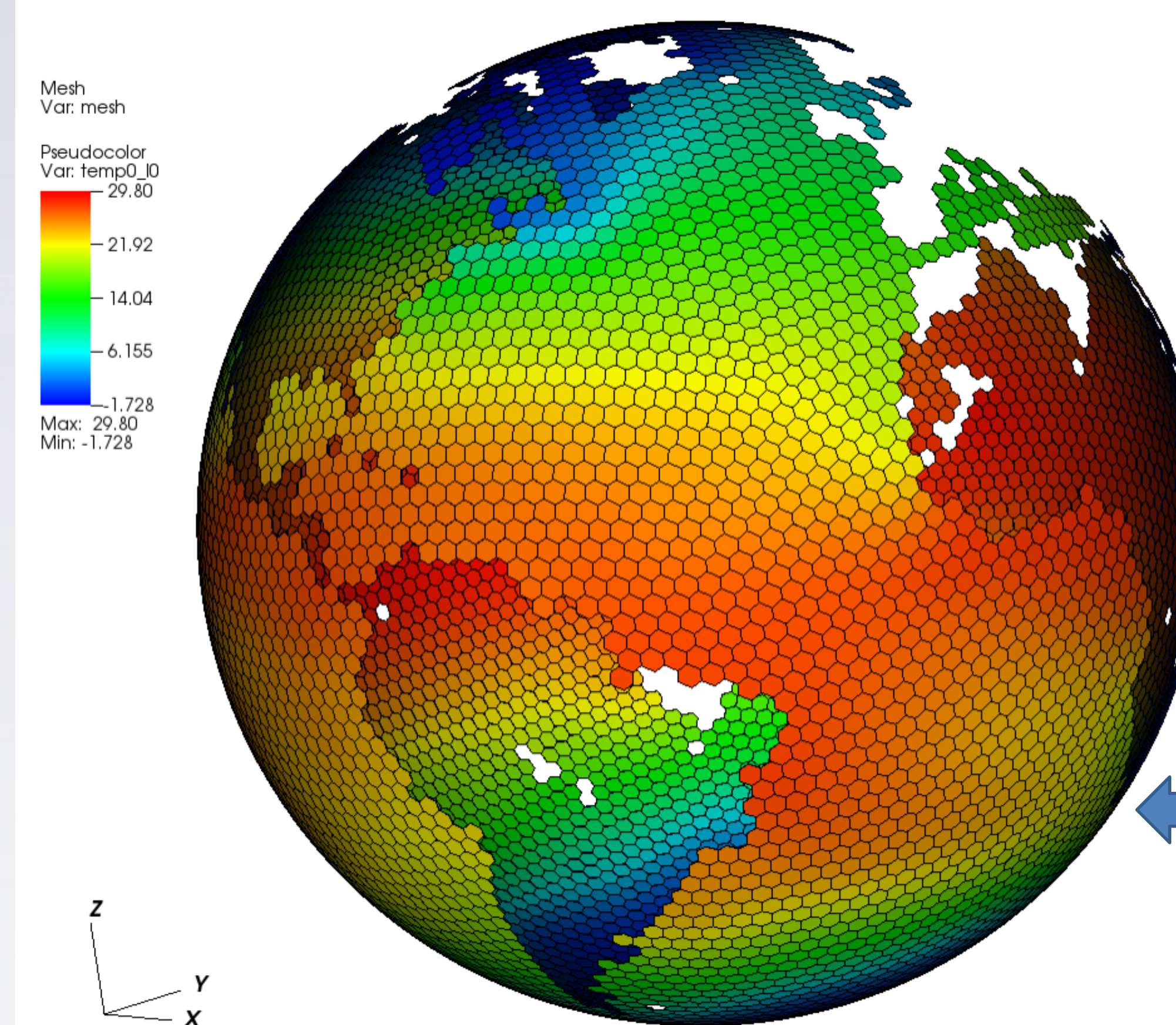
## Motivation

The coupler is a complex and central component that plays a critical role in all ACME simulations. The ACME-CMDV project is driven to rewrite and rethink many parts of the coupler to better meet ACME's near-term science and technical goals. The changes are primarily motivated to improve and simplify the current ACME coupler workflow.

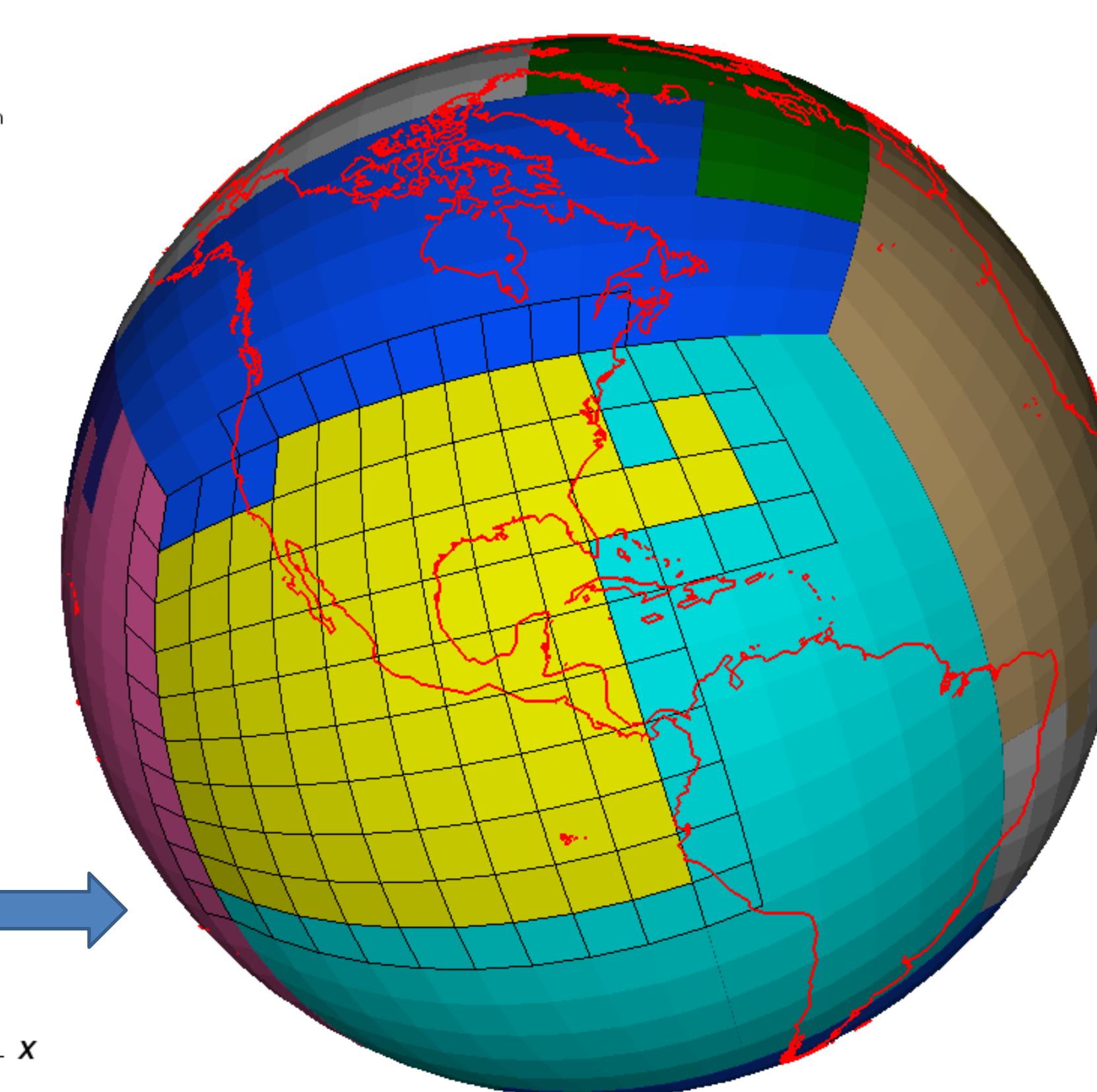


- Simplify coupling workflow through **unified infrastructure** for mesh and data handling
- Uniform methodology to impose mesh decomposition to **minimize time to solution**
- Move away from the **current offline-online** weight generation model and support **fully online** capability with high-order conservative remapping schemes; **Adaptive grids** ?
- Utilize scalable algorithms to **compute re-usable overlap meshes** between models
- **Thinking beyond** the current split-coupling methods and reduce spatiotemporal inaccuracies

MPAS Ocean Model



HOMME Atmosphere Model



**Near term goal:** Scalable and high-order conservative field transfer between **polygonal** (MPAS) and **Cubed-Sphere** (HOMME) models

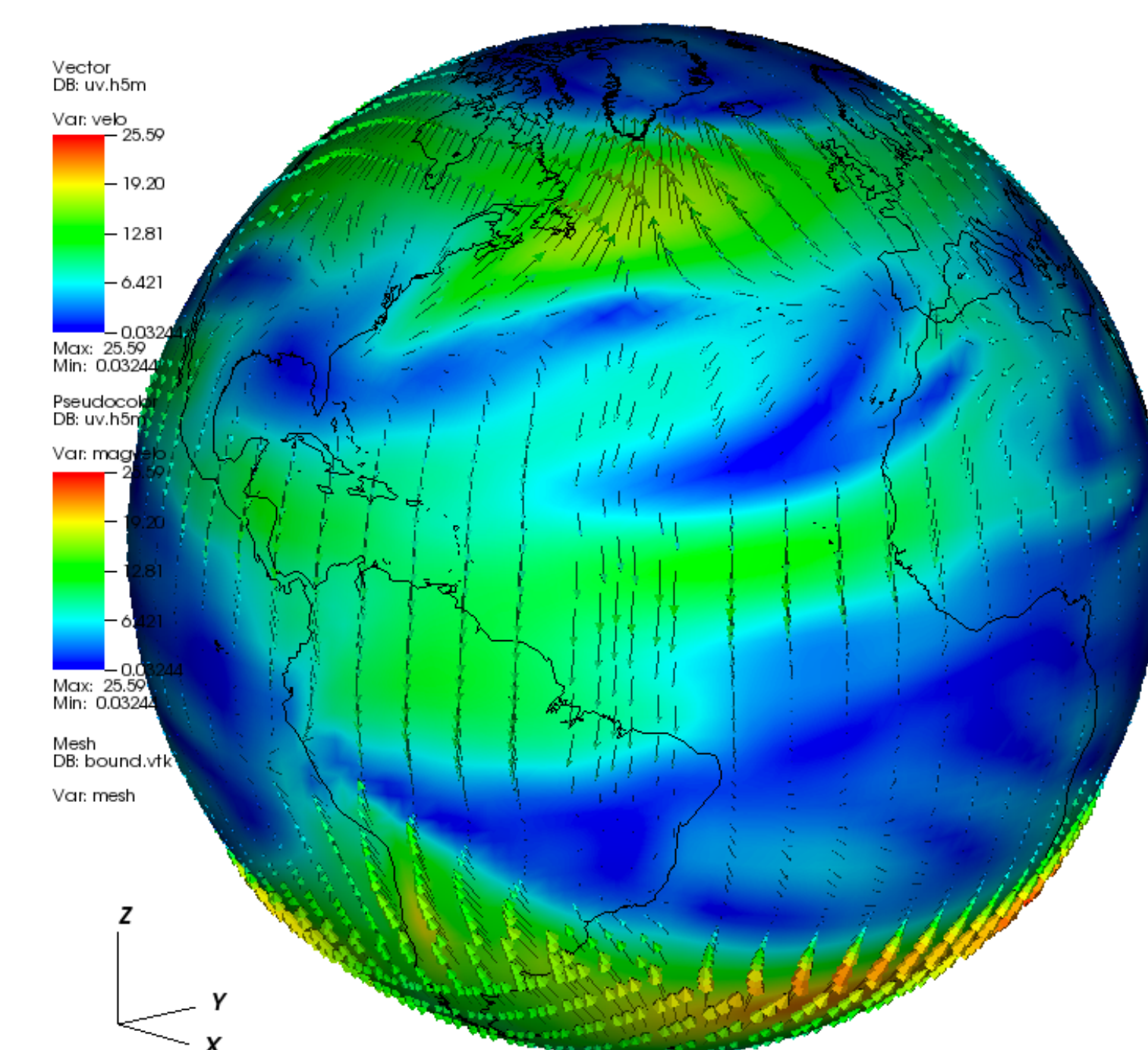
- Visualizations performed using the parallel MOAB-VisIt plugin

## Developments

### Completed:

MOAB (v5.0) serves as a mesh and coupler infrastructure to unify model interfaces

- **Language agnostic interfaces** (Fortran/C/C++) through **iMOAB implementation**
  - Tightly integrated with HOMME and MPAS currently
- Unified scalable serialization and loading of meshes, partitions and solution
- Fully **parallel visualization** of meshes and fields with **VisIt-MOAB** plugin
  - **Avoid re-partitioning** data for visualization
  - Perform analysis with a rich in-memory data-model
- Interpolation weights computed online with:
  - Optimized **advancing-front** intersection algorithm
  - Integration to **TempestRemap** for weight generation
- **Verified configuration/installation** on various platforms
  - **ANL:** Blues, Mira, Theta,
  - **NERSC:** Edison, Cori, **ORNL:** Titan

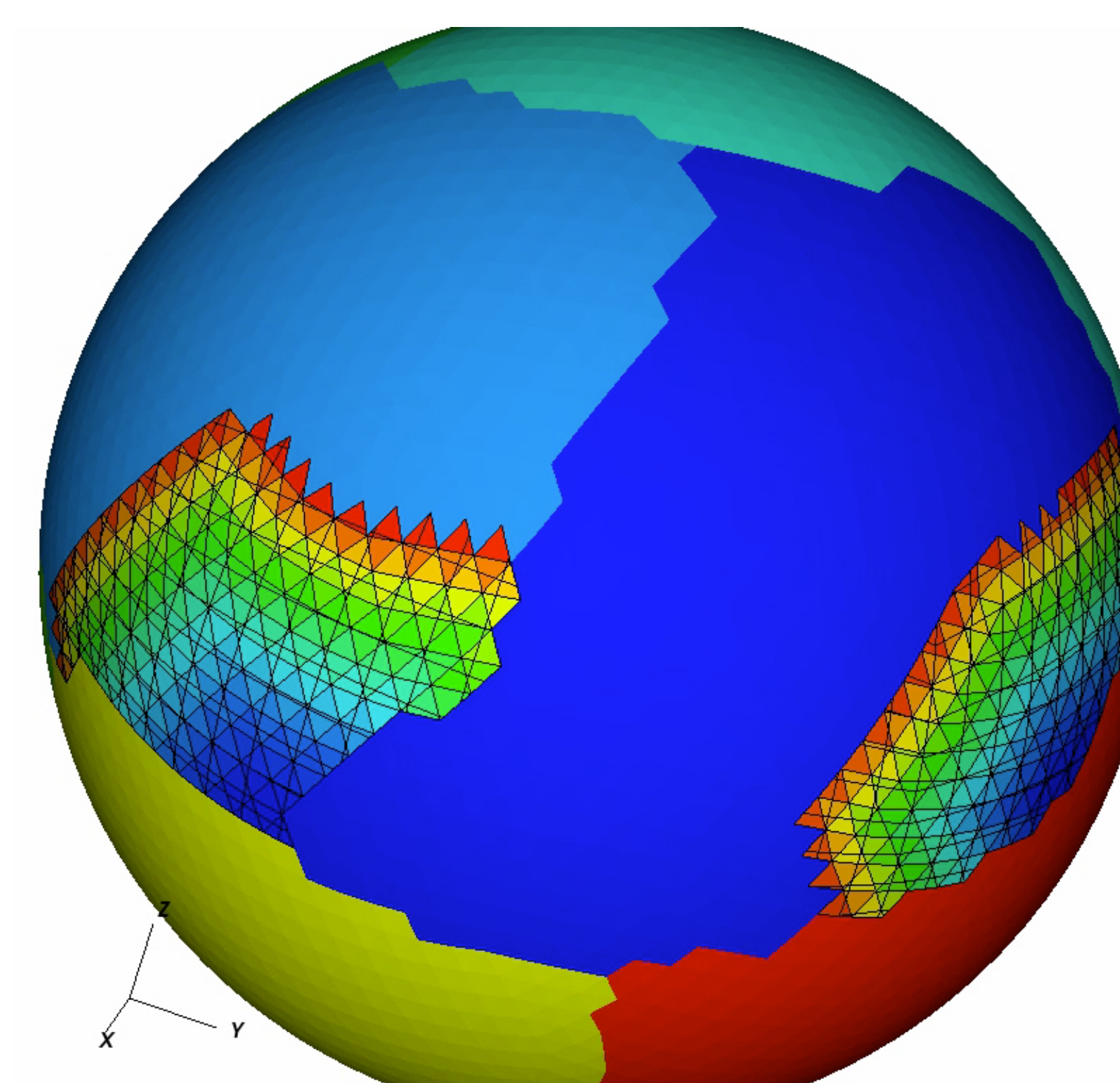


### Required:

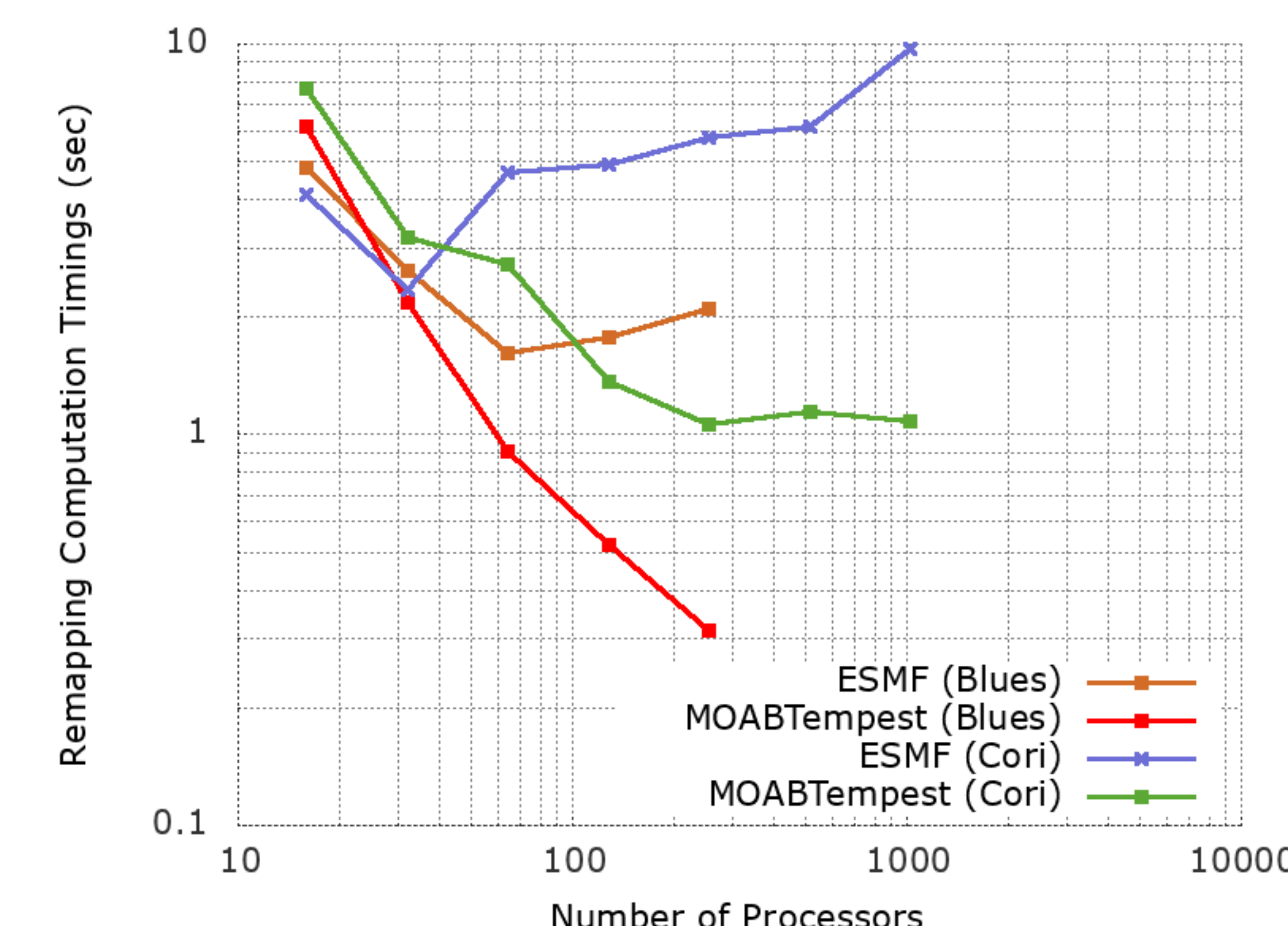
- Interface with Mosart, CLM, other MPAS components
- Perform atmosphere->ocean interpolation online
- **Generate** Cubed-Sphere (CS), polygonal (MPAS) **meshes** and **conformal** local refinement
- Improved **mesh partitioning schemes** for coupler performance and to minimize data-transfer
- Re-design and implement strategies for optimal coupled solution convergence

## Expected Impact

### More efficient and accurate coupling workflows



Parallel advancing front intersection algorithm, amenable to hybrid MPI+task parallelism



Remapping between CS-CS meshes with varying resolutions on Blues and Cori (Haswell)

- Higher-order conservative remapping algorithms and better coupling techniques will improve solution accuracy and reduce numerical stability restrictions
- An unified infrastructure can simplify long-term maintenance of ACME software suite
- Increased scientific productivity for ACME users (smaller learning curve for new models)