Competence Center Global System Science (GSS)

Recent Projects in 2021/22

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COVID-19

Motivation: The understanding of the impact of Non-pharmaceutical interventions (NPIs) on demand for intensive care units (ICUs) is vital during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Objective: Support political decision-making by predicting COVID-19-related ICU needs. The simulation model will be adjusted accordingly based on the current pandemic progression.

Methods: Implementation of a spatial age-structured microsimulation model of the COVID-19 pandemic

Support: Connection between ministry of interior and modelling and HPC-specialists, providing HPC infrastructure for regular simulation runs

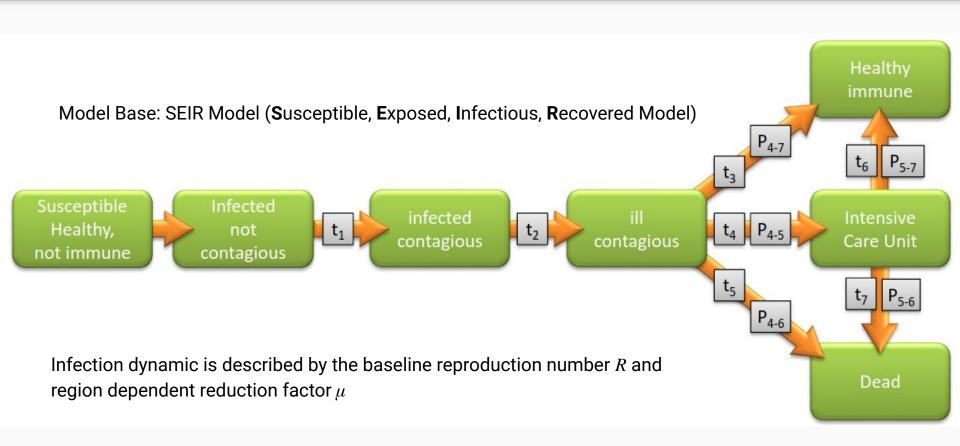








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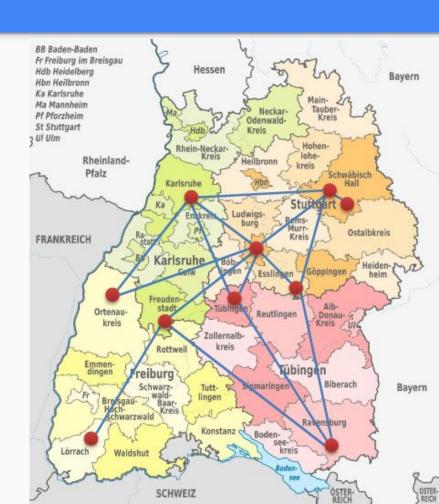


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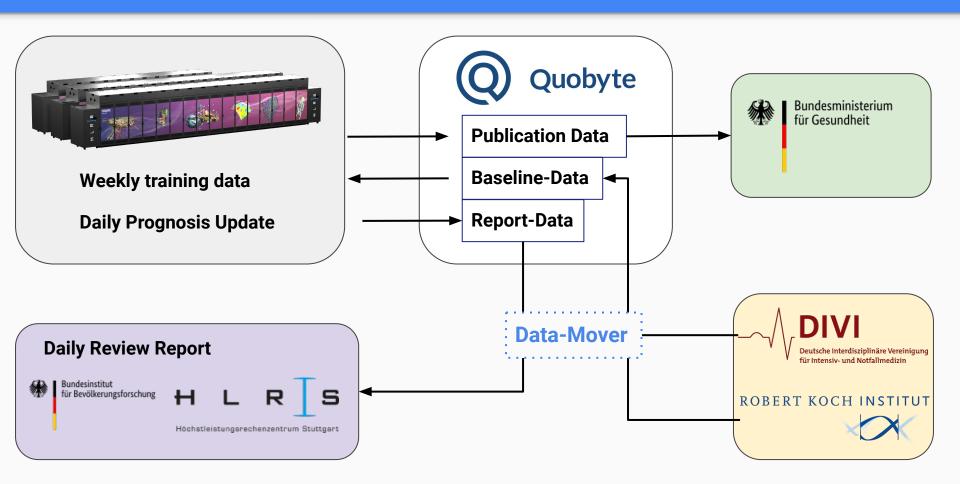
Individuals interact, i.e. infect each other on microscale based on their location

Location takes into account:

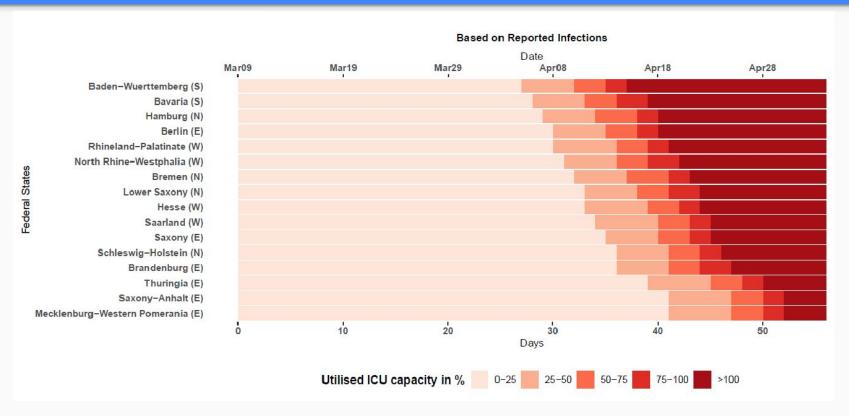
- Residency
- Location of Work
- Change of location determined by commuter matrix



Automatic Forecasting



COVID - Simulated effect of an uncontained first COVID-19 wave on related ICU



Source: RKI, German Federal Employment Agency, Federal Statistical Office of Germany, own calculations.

MPAS

Motivation: Researchers at the Institute of Physics and Meteorology, University of Hohenheim, are using HLRS's Hawk supercomputer for multiscale Earth systems simulations that are helping to predict the potential effects of climate change more accurately.

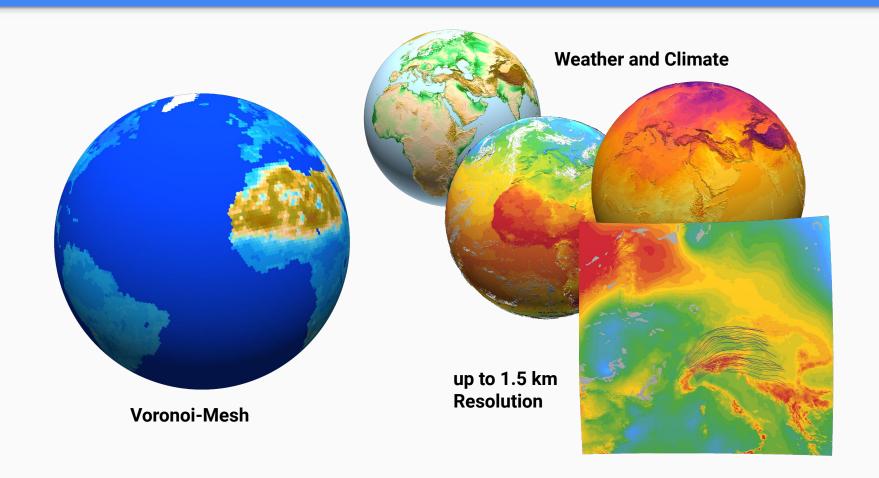
Result: Earth atmosphere simulation containing air temperature at ground level, rain number concentration, air flow, atmospheric pressure, etc.

Support: Distributed Parallel Visualization from HPC-Cluster, provide resources

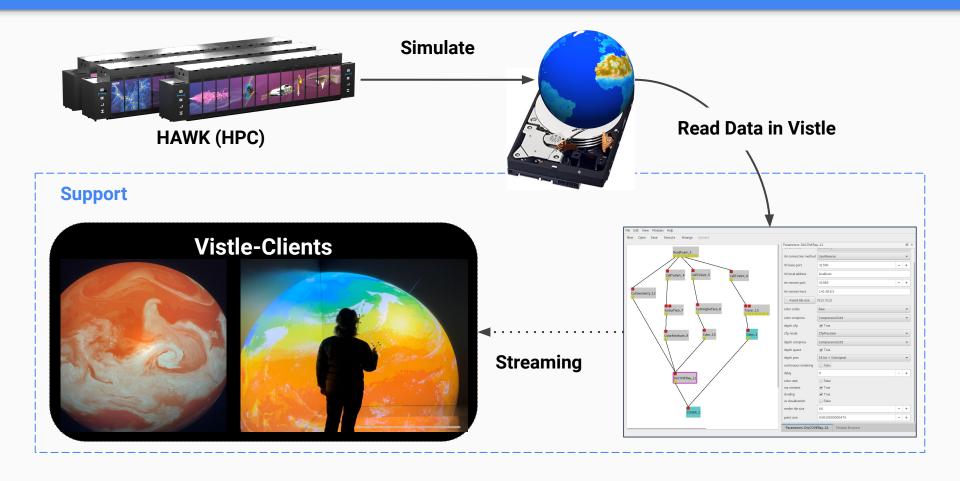




MPAS - Model for Prediction Across Scales



MPAS - Support



HIDALGO

Motivation: Several simulations were created in the EU-funded project HiDALGO (HPC and Big Data Technologies for Global Systems) aimed for developing algorithms and software for HPC to accurately model and simulate complex processes.

Use cases: urban air quality, social networks, COVID-19 and migration streams

Support: Provide resources and support for connecting with state offices, visualize urban air quality in use case of Stuttgart in digital twin





Urban Air Pollution

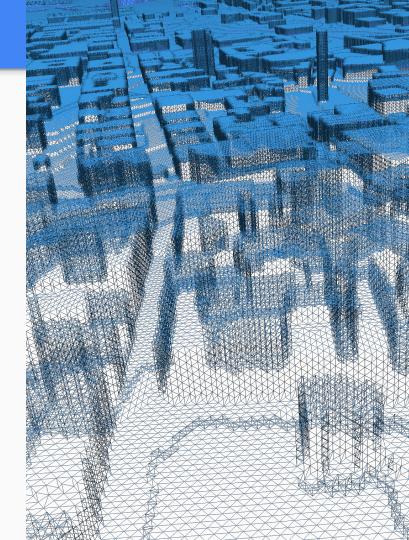
Details:

- 3D simulations (CFD)
- high-resolution (1-2m)
- air flow and pollutant distribution
- input from traffic, weather and air quality data

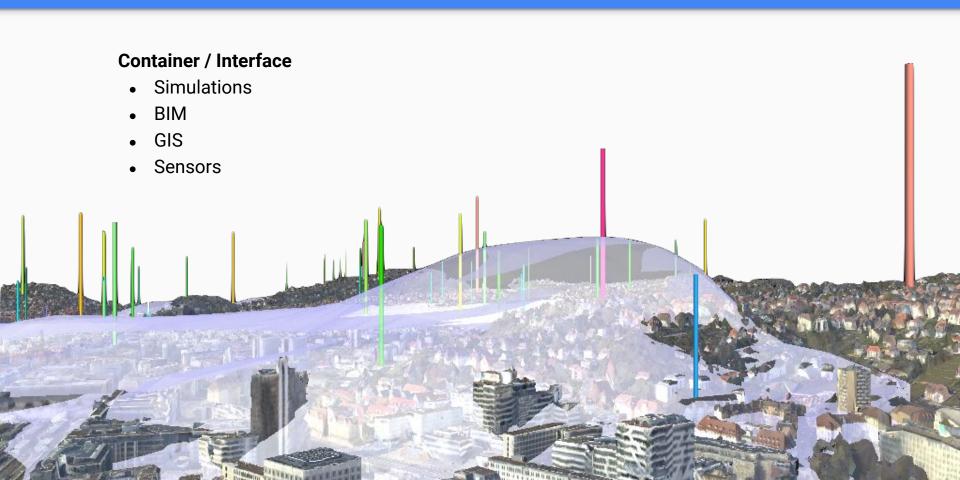
Support

Aims for visualization:

- low-threshold accessibility
- results in context
- interactive, real-time analysis



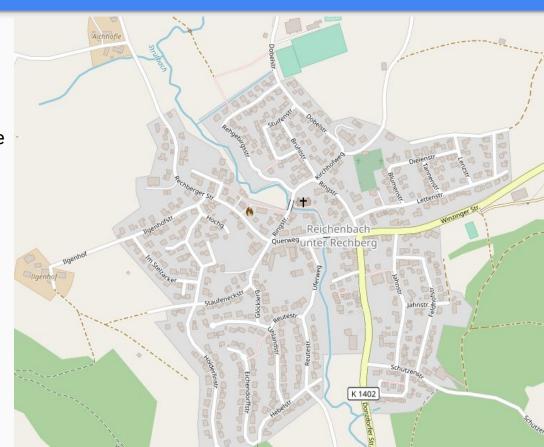
Digital Urban Twin Stuttgart



Donzdorf

Motivation: Donzdorf had to deal with flooding after heavy rain events in the past. Especially certain areas of the communal infrastructure like bridges and the sewerage system itself were critical spots.

Objective: Heavy Rain simulation for different scenarios at critical spots, automate the workflow to ensure transferability



Donzdorf

Methods: Construction of a 3D city model, 1D - 3D flooding simulation, weather simulation, VR, Digital Twin

Support: connect municipal administration and simulation experts, simulation and visualization at HLRS

