

Contributions from WP1 to applications from WP4

Example applications: ParFlow and SHERAT-Suite

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ParFlow: Description

A parallel 3D variably saturated ground water flow model, ParFlow includes fully-integrated overland flow, the ability to simulate complex topography, geologic heterogeneity and coupled land-surface processes.

ParFlow is MPI parallel and uses a binary and netCDF IO formats.

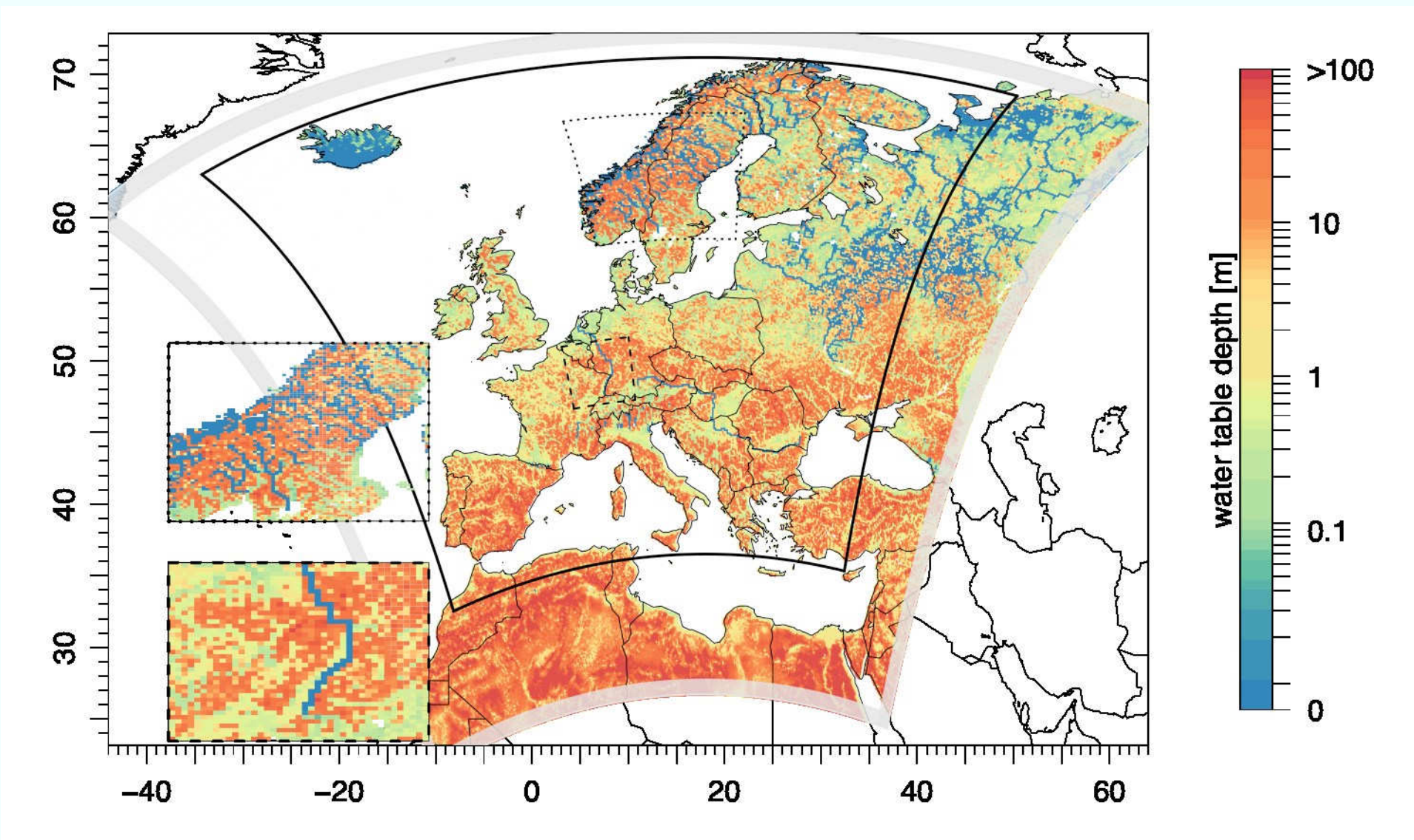
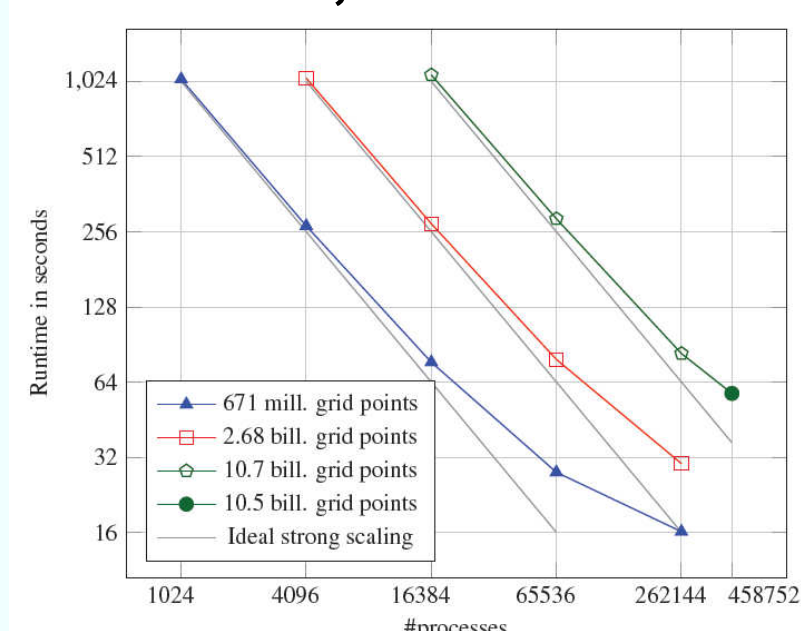


Figure depicting multiscale features of the simulated water table depth across the EuroCordex domain, snapshot taken from 10th August 2003 [1]

WP1 contribution to ParFlow

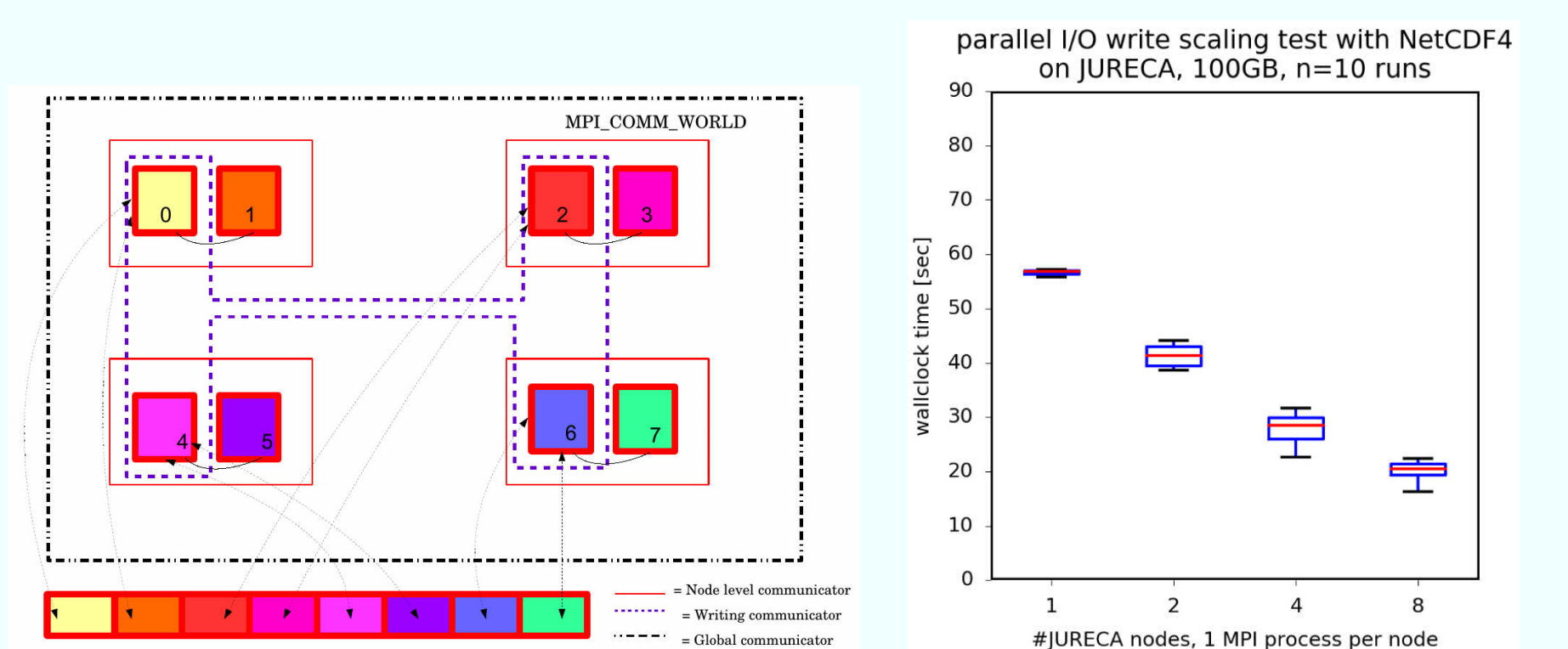
Towards Exascale:

- Integrating ParFlow with p4est to improve memory management, initialization, and scaling



Scaling plot of the latest version ParFlow + p4est [R] implementation. Total runtime is shown for different domain sizes shown [2]

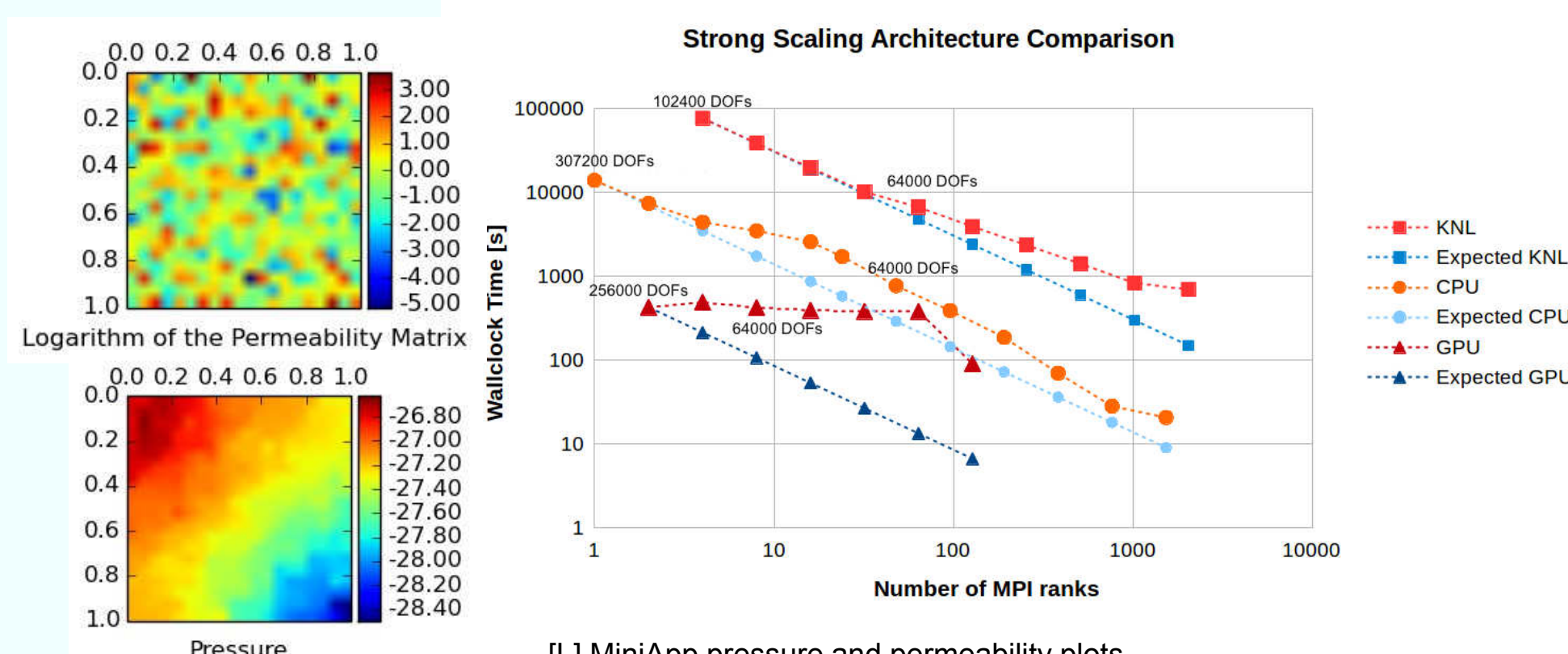
- Rising to the big data challenge by implementing parallel NetCDF4 I/O



[L] Diagram of the collective output implementation of parallel NetCDF4 I/O [R] NetCDF4 scaling benchmark (Ketan Kulkarni JSC)

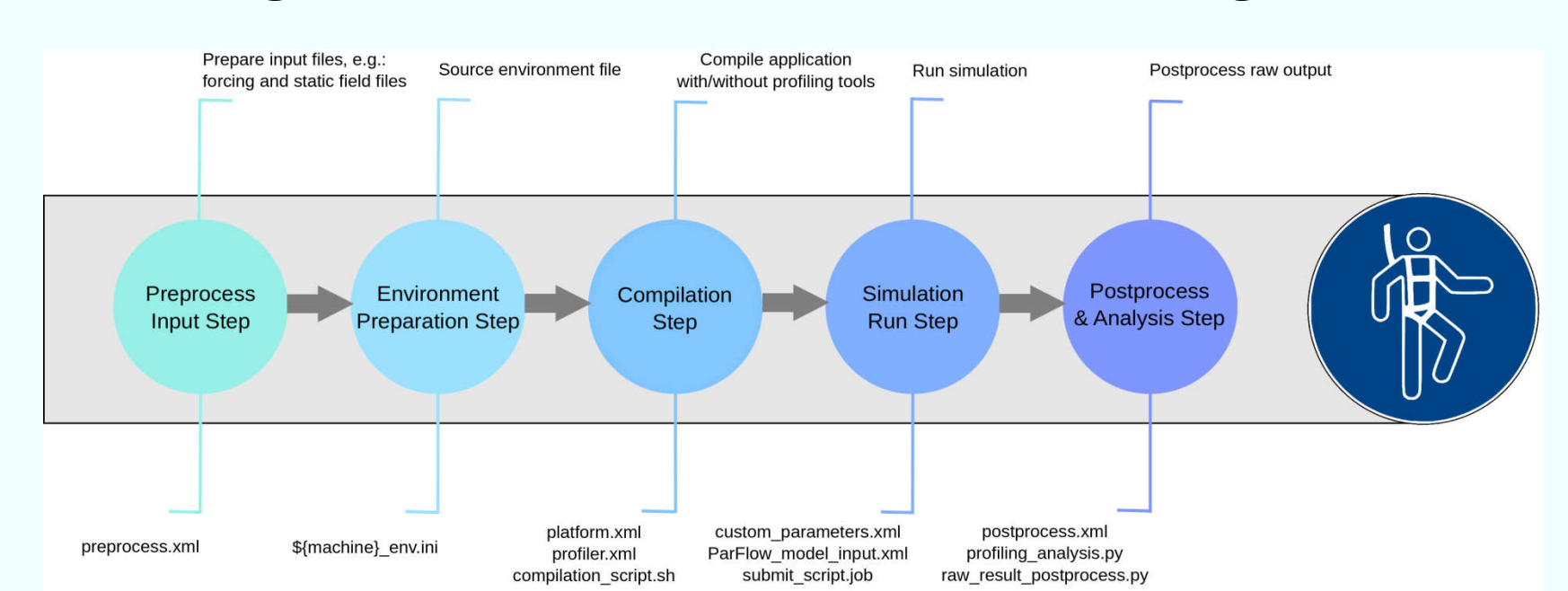
Next generation hardware and software:

- Adapting ParFlow to next generation hardware and software with a MiniApp to streamline development



[L] MiniApp pressure and permeability plots [R] Architecture comparison resulting from running the MiniApp strong scaling benchmark across CPUs, GPUs and KNLs (Wendy Sharples JSC, Damian Kalizan PSNC)

- Developing a run control framework for porting, profiling, tuning and provenance tracking



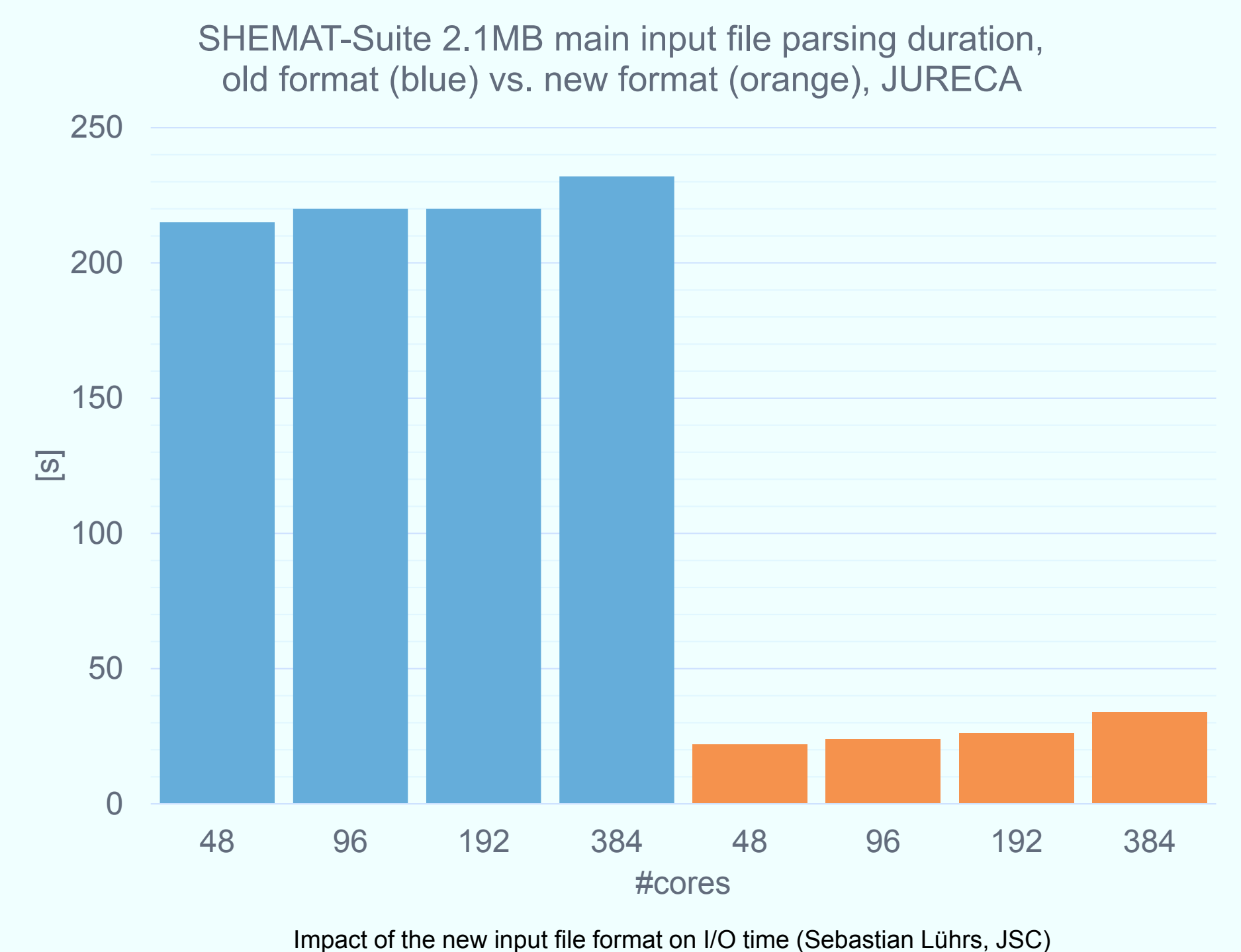
Run control framework for the complete modelling chain implemented. Describes each step in the chain (xml files and scripts) [3]

SHERAT-Suite: Details

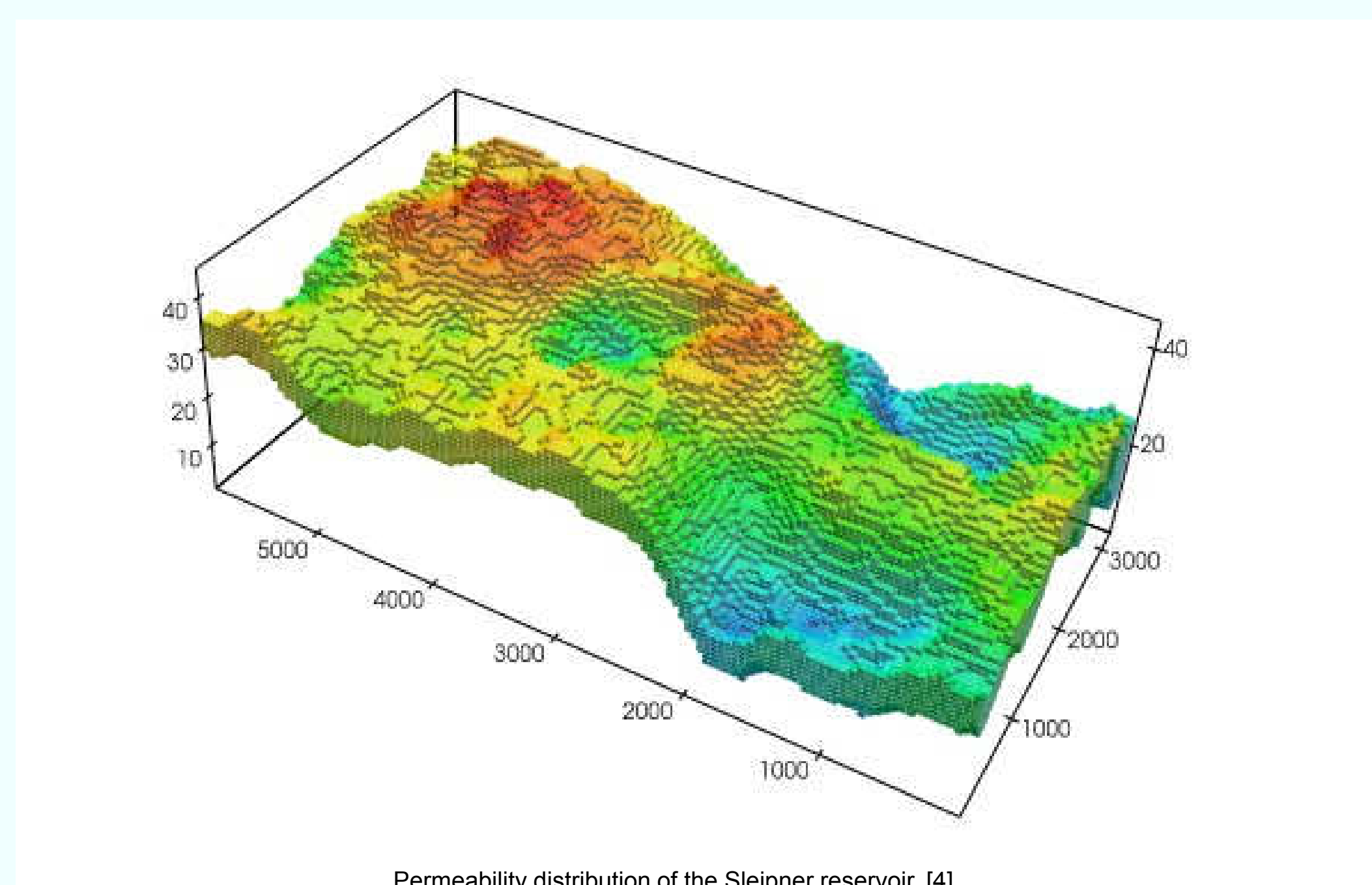
- Simulation code for flow, heat and species transport through porous media
- Parallelised with MPI and OpenMP
- Uses custom input format as well as basic HDF5 for sequential I/O → bottleneck for large simulations

WP1 contribution to SHERAT-Suite

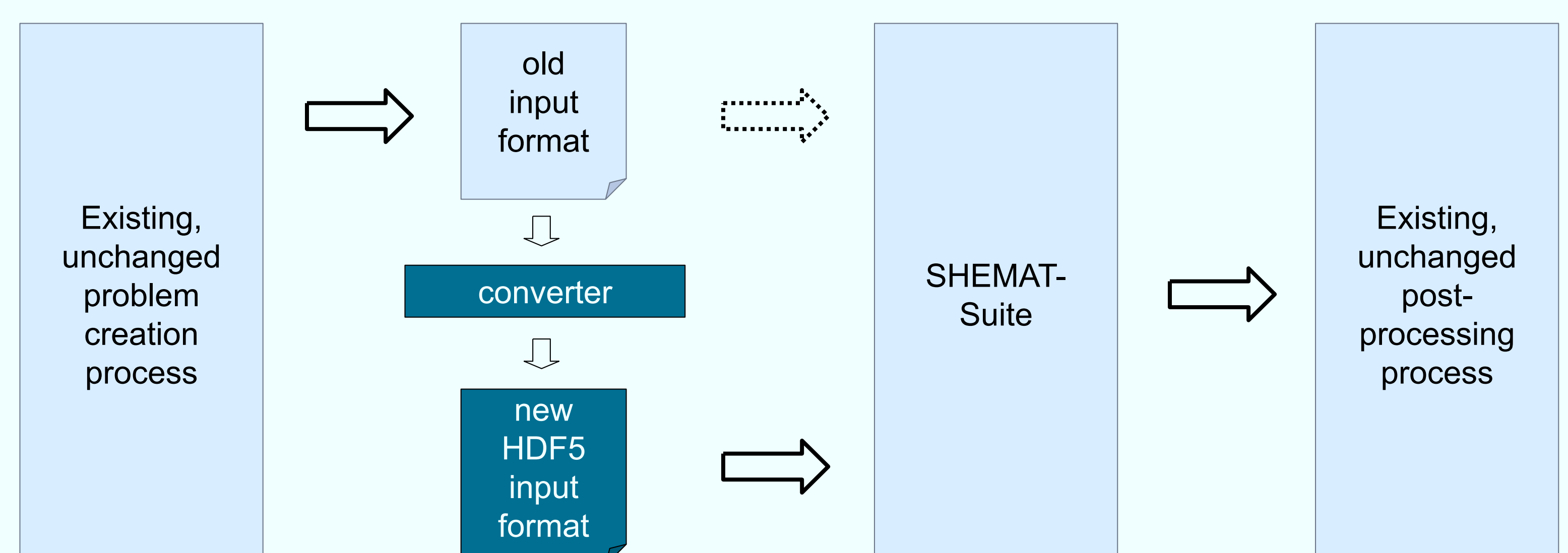
- Conversion of old input format to enhanced HDF5 input format
- Provided a converter to transform old input file format into new HDF5 format
- Work in progress: conversion of sequential I/O to parallel I/O to allow for better scalability by reducing the per-core memory footprint



Impact of the new input file format on I/O time (Sebastian Luehrs, JSC)



Permeability distribution of the Sleipner reservoir. [4]



Program flow with the inclusion of the WP1 contributions (turquoise); users have the choice to use the old or new input file format (Sebastian Luehrs, JSC)

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