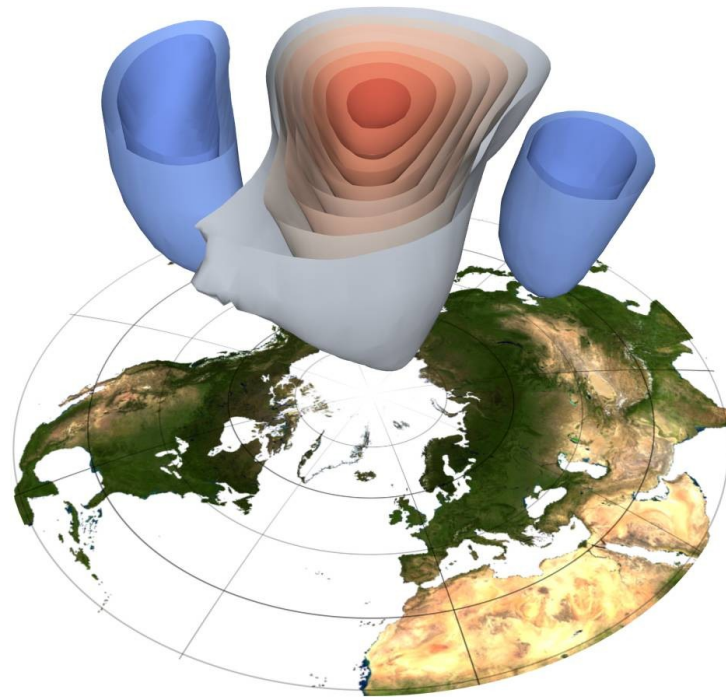


# PV\_ATMOS: Atmospheric and Oceanic Data Visualization with ParaView

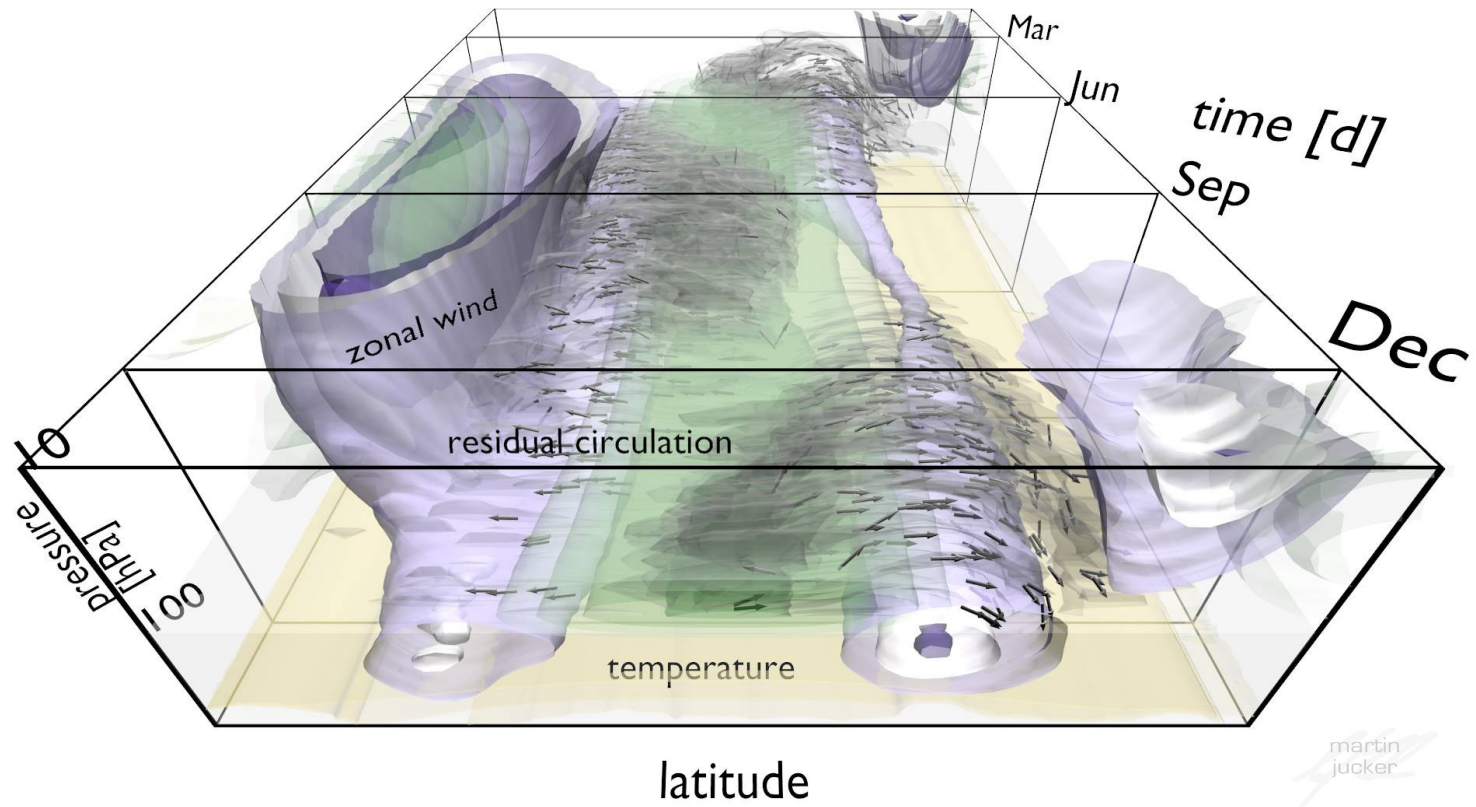
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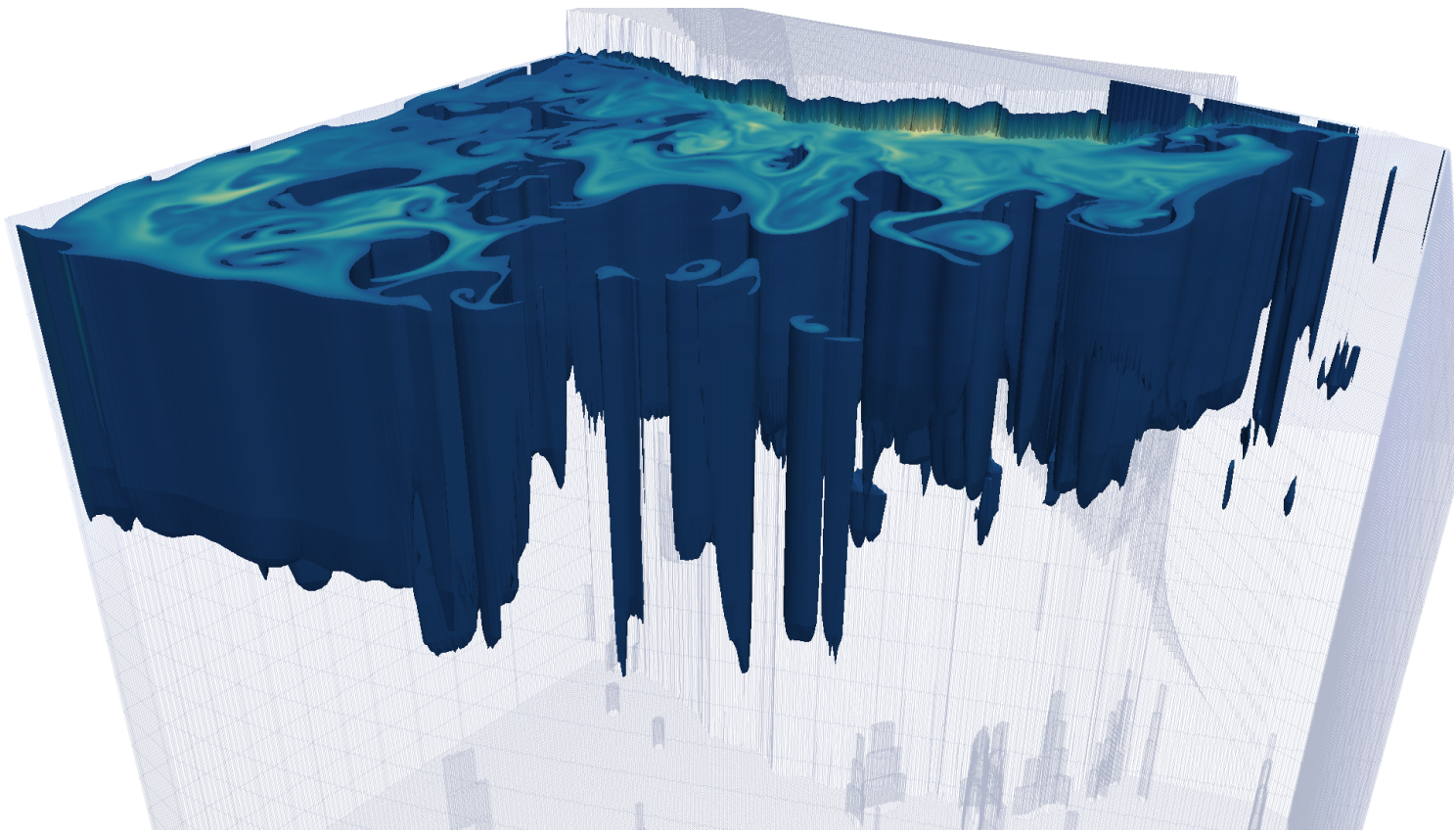
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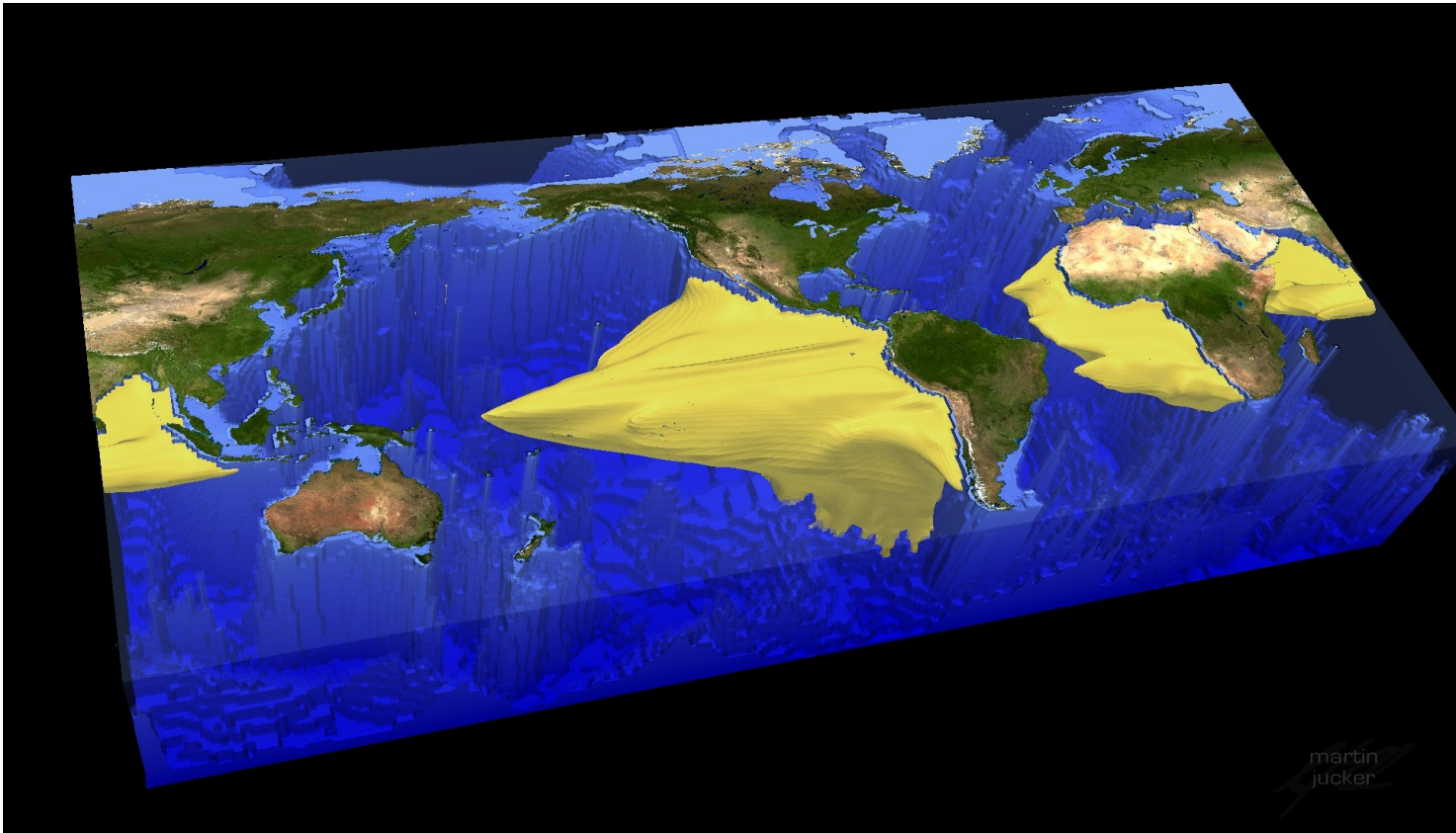
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# ParaView: Generalities

## Installation and geekyness:

- Free, open source software
- Binaries available for any platform
  - No installation required
  - No python required (comes with it)
- Geekyness up to the user
  - No coding, just mouse and GUI, or
  - Pure coding, as python module, or
  - Anything in-between

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# pv\_atmos: specializing PV

**pv\_atmos.basic:** Data manipulation, helper tools

- Load netCDF data
- Convert lat-lon to sphere
- Logarithmic coordinates (→ pressure coordinates)
- Adjust aspect ratio

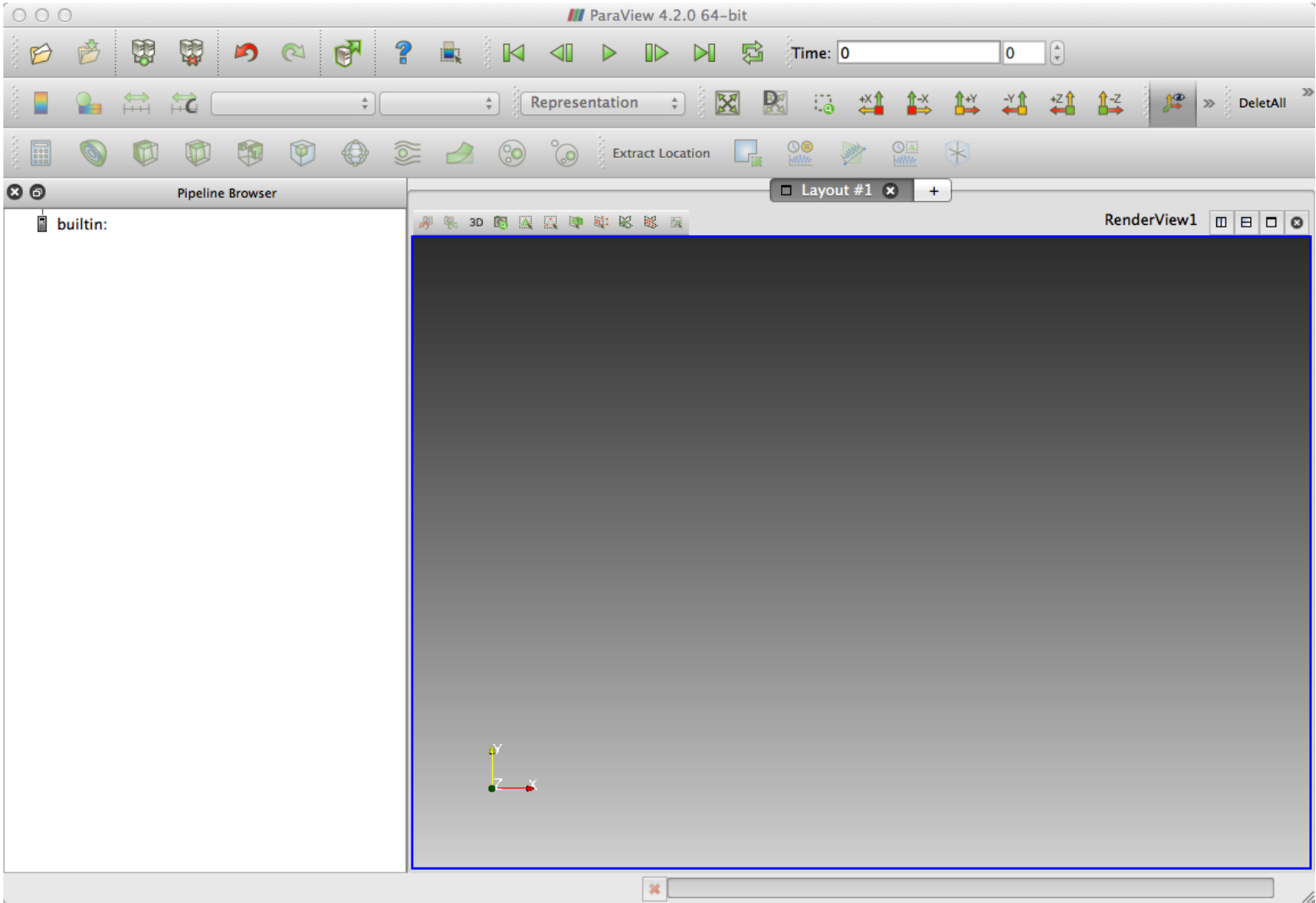
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          aspectRatios=[1,1,20], logCoords=[2], basis=[1000] )  
  
Make3D( expandVar, expandDir='z' )  
  
Cart2Spherical()  
  
HideAll(), ShowAll(), DeleteAll()
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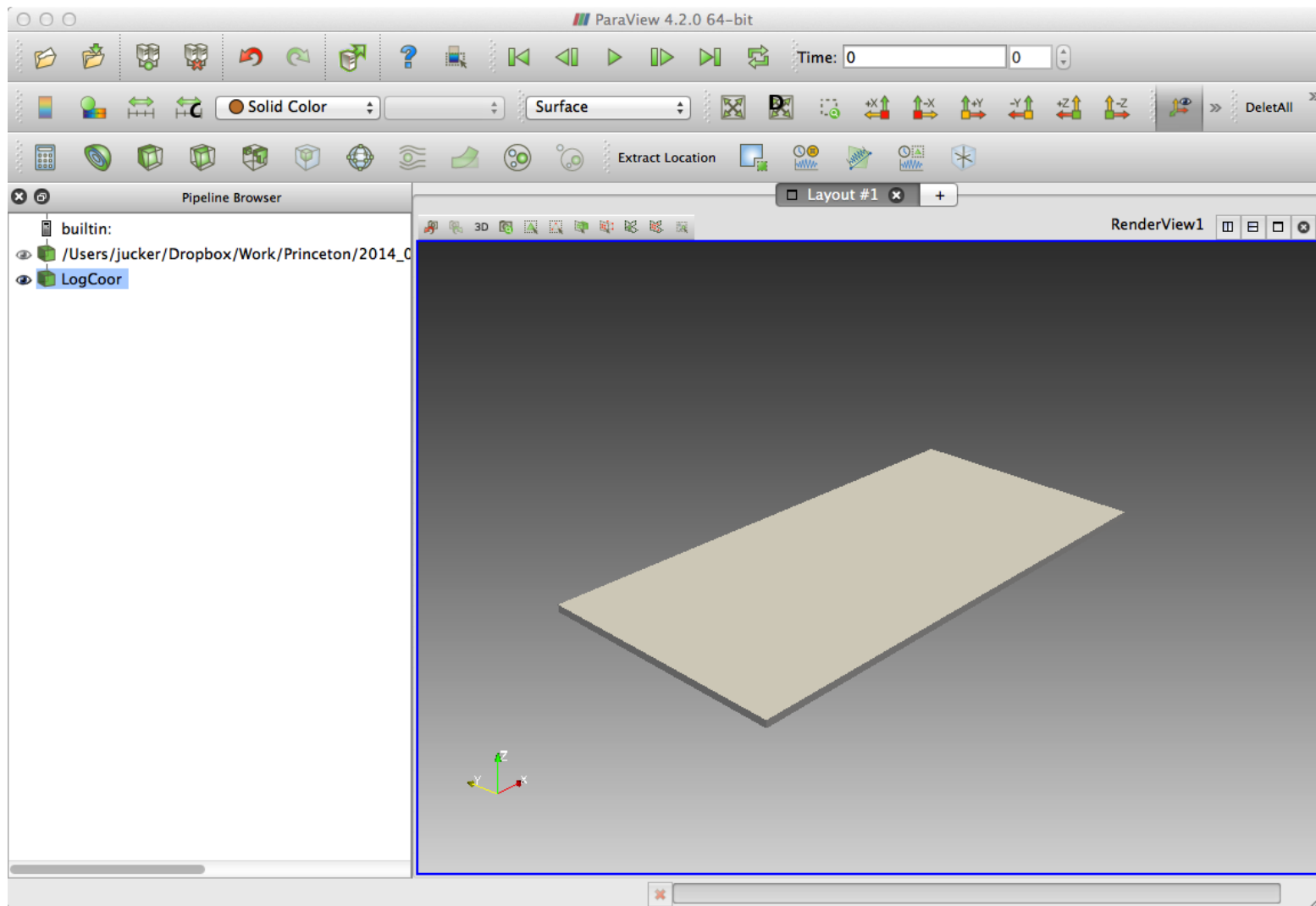
# pv\_atmos: specializing PV

pv\_atmos.grids: Axes, Labels, Grids, Slices

- Axes with or without labels
- Labels at specific places
- Grid and/or data planes  
at the correct location in physical space.

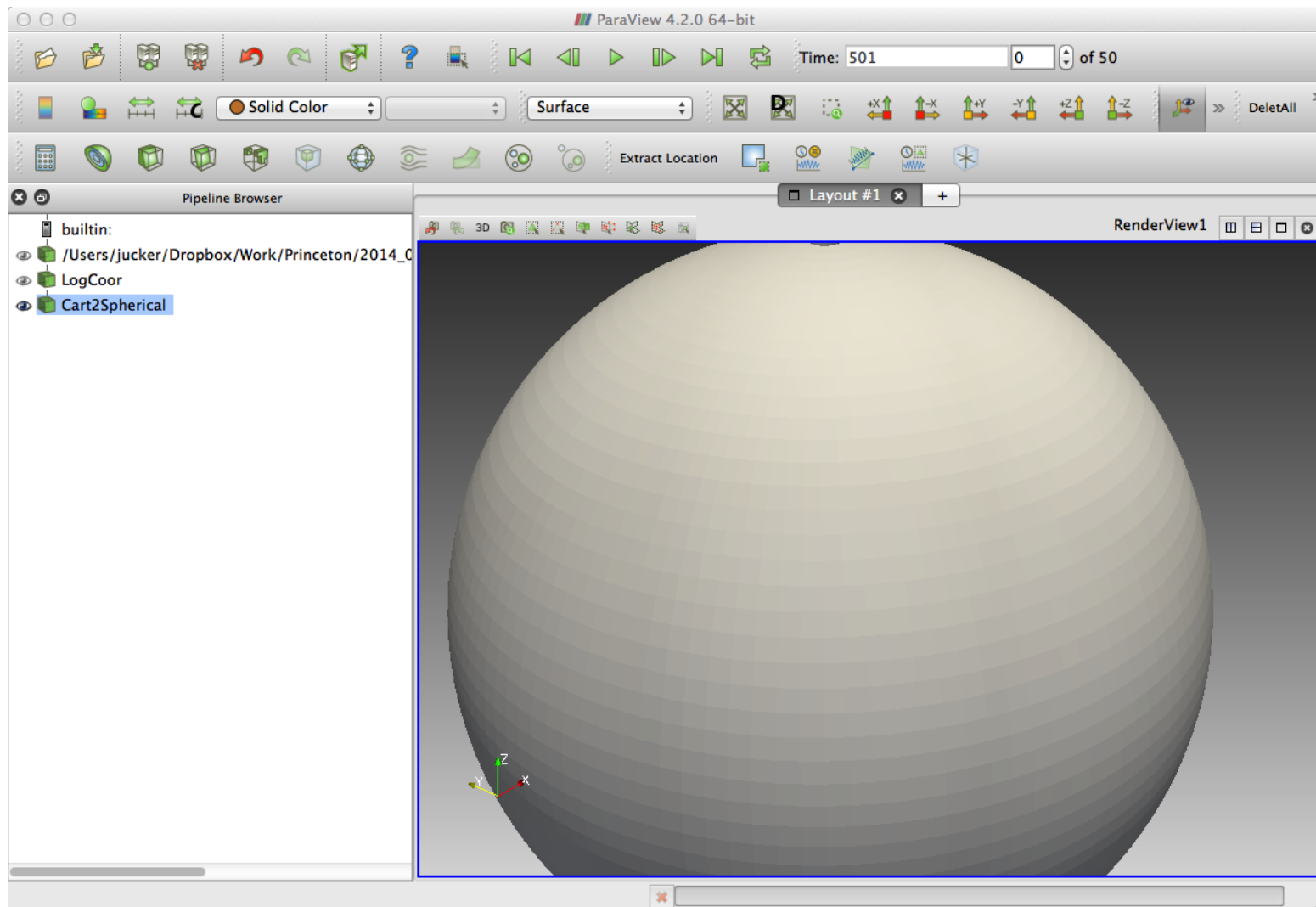
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AddGrid      ( xlevels, ylevels, zlevels,  
                AxisNames=["lon", "lat", "pressure [hPa]"] )  
  
AddGridPlane ( dim, dimVal )  
  
AddGridLabel ( dim, dimVal, LabelSize=5.0 )
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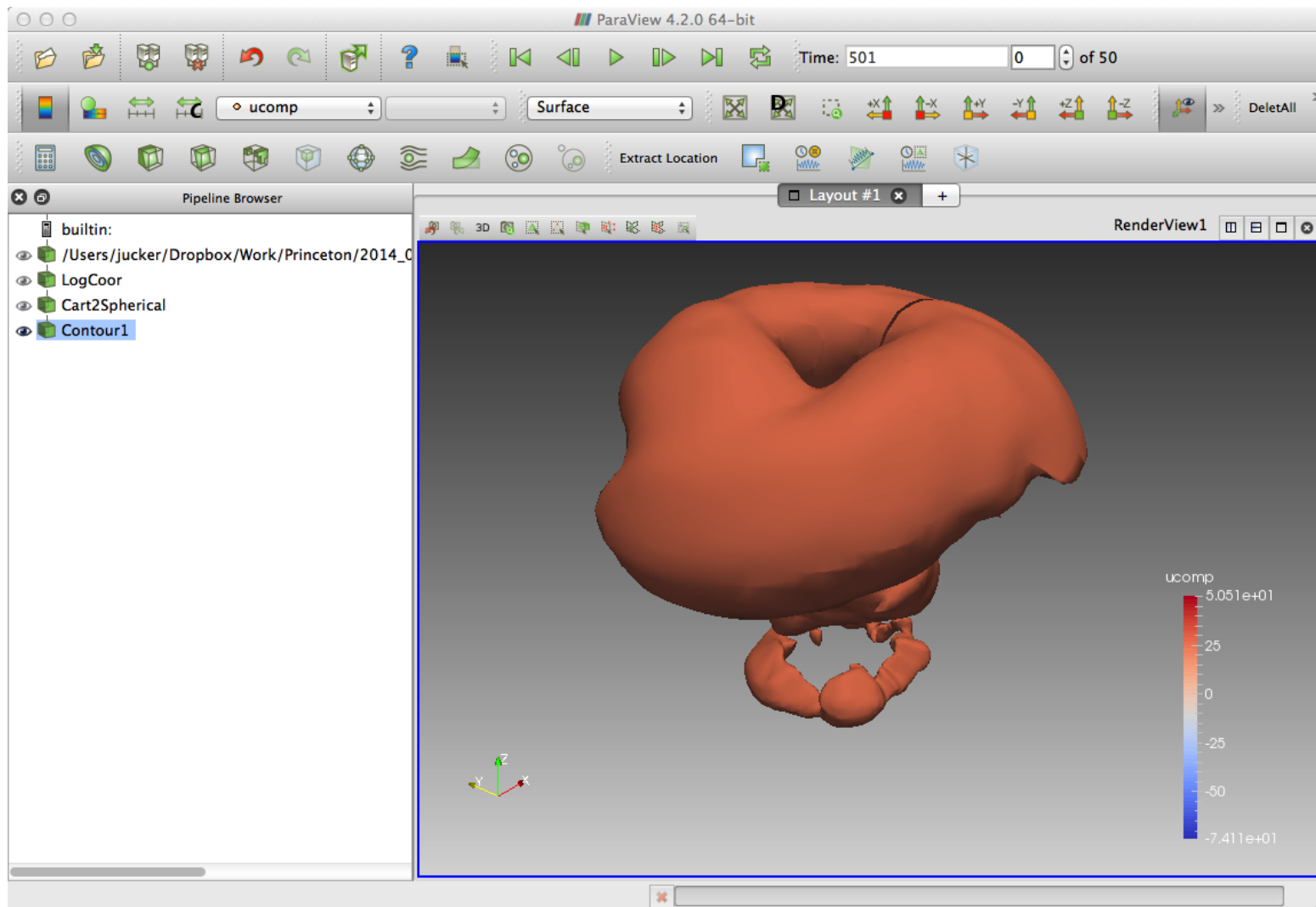


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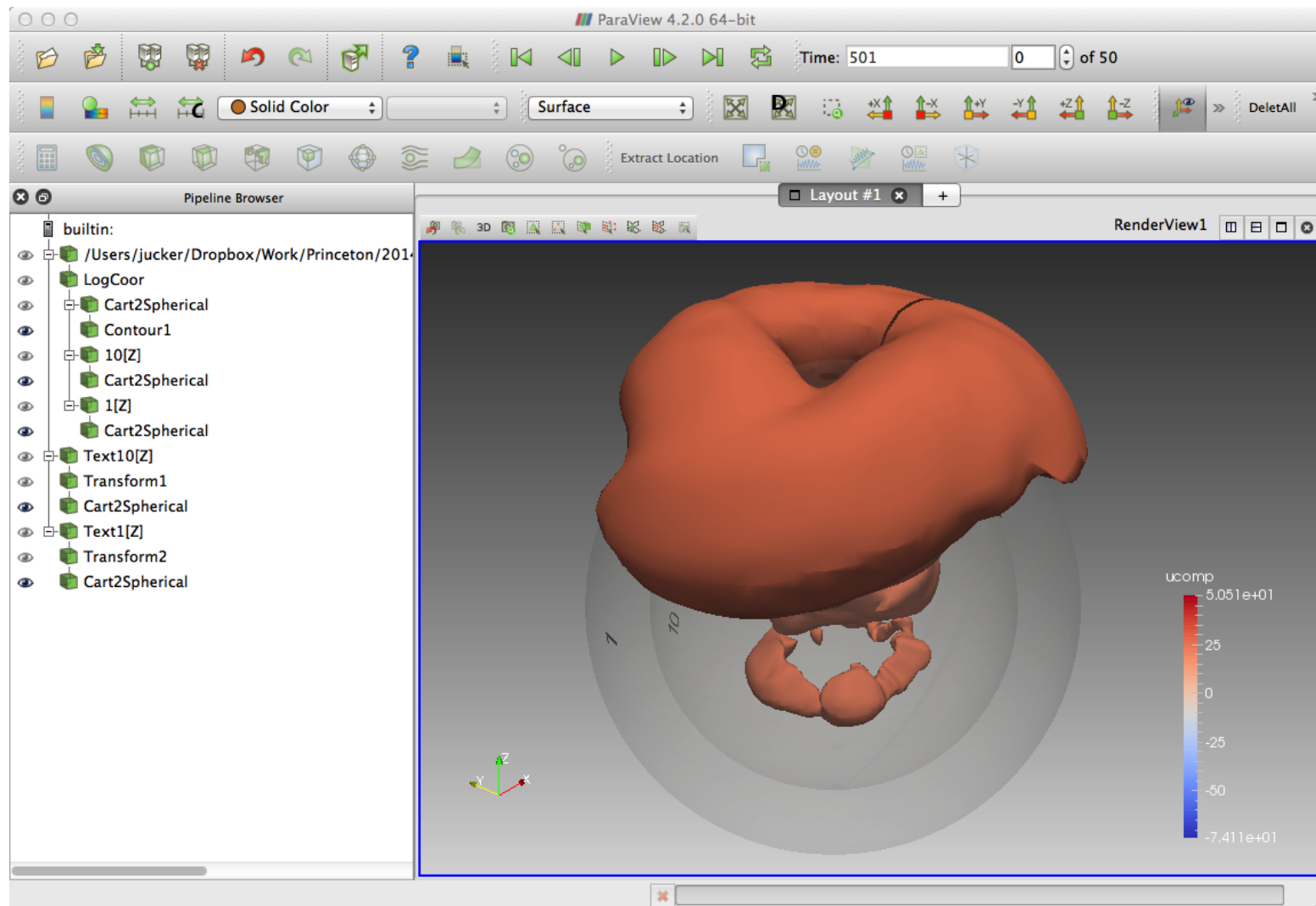




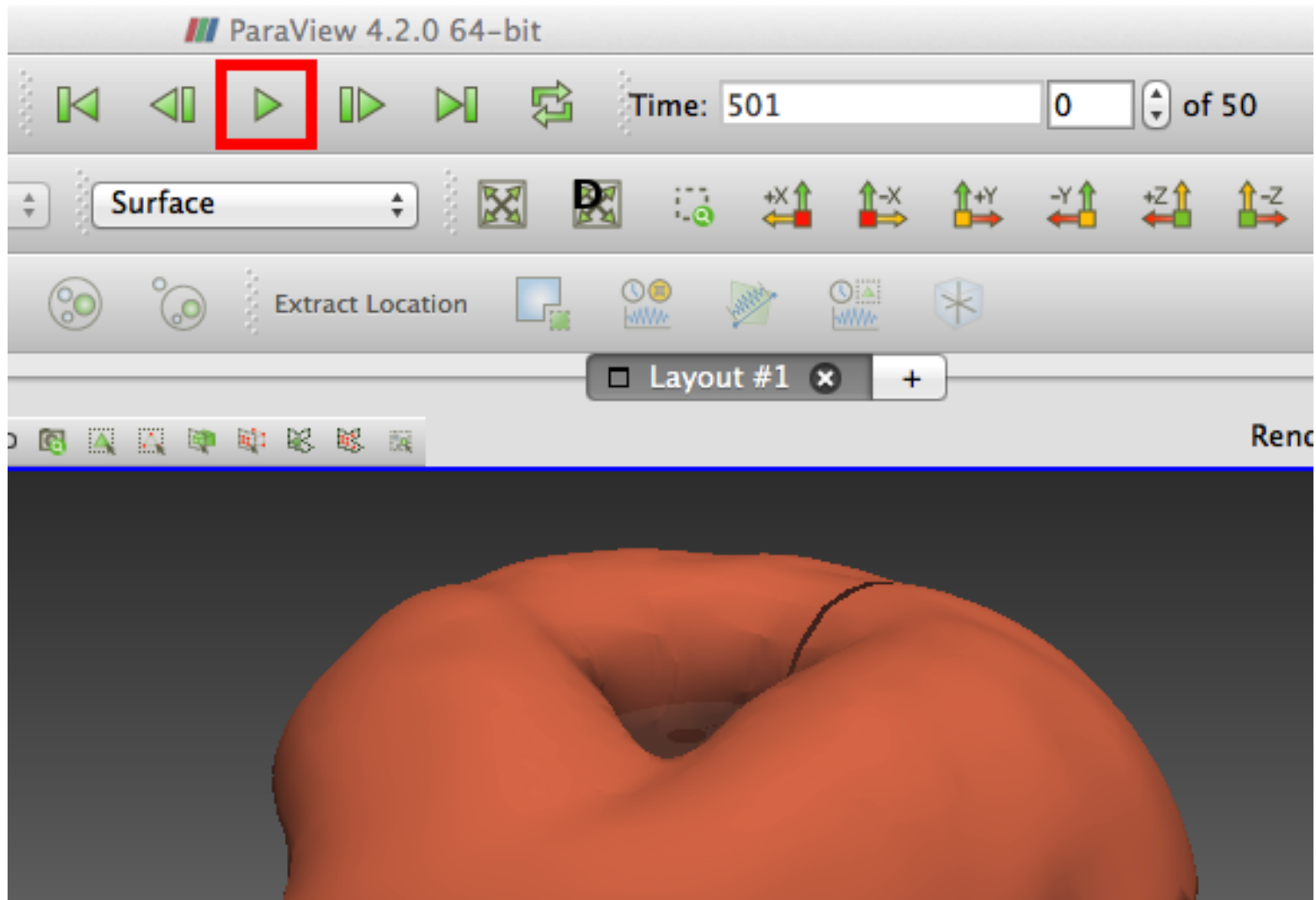
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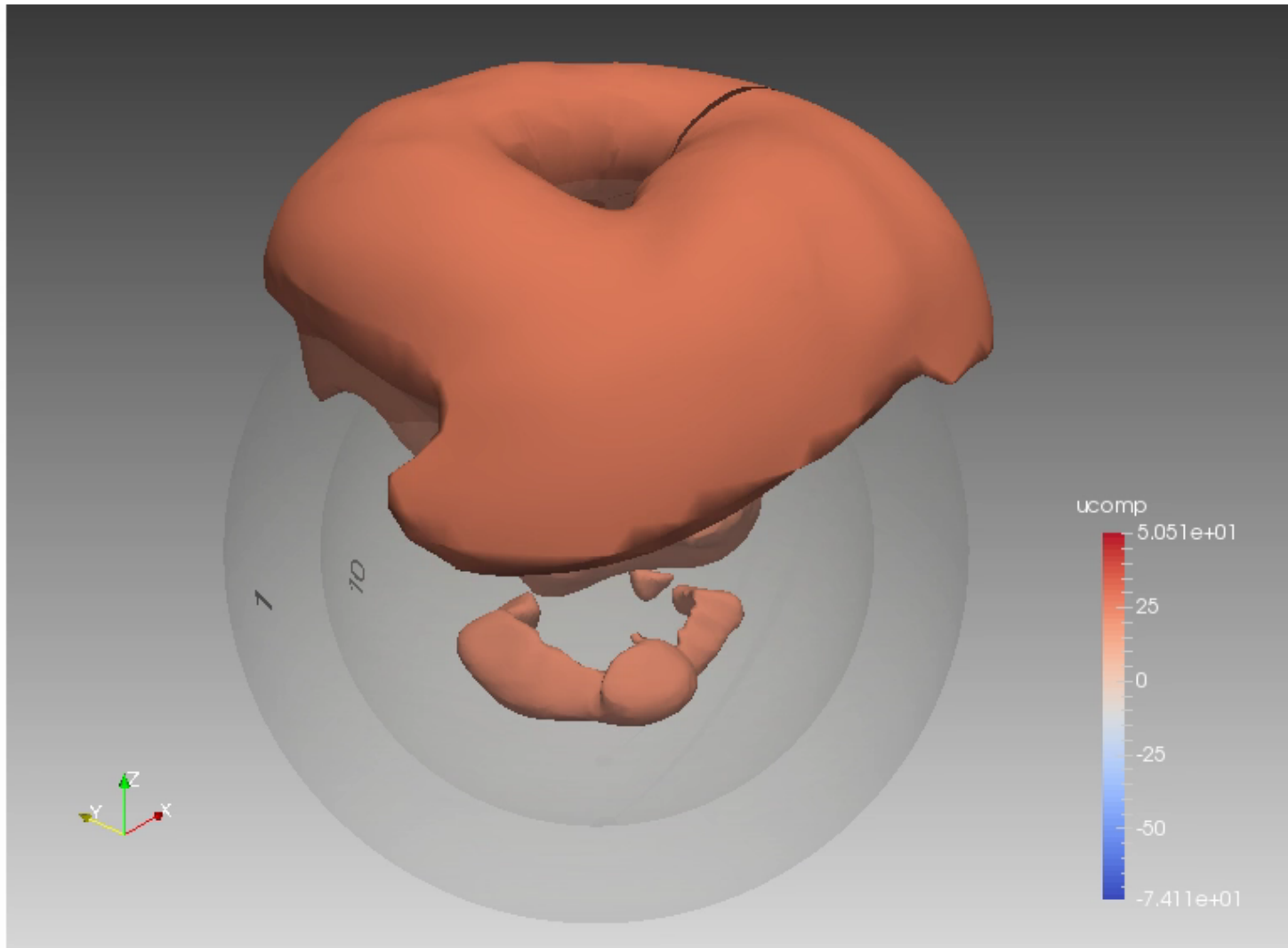


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Shells = SphericalShells( radius,src=Coor,shellValues=[10,1] )
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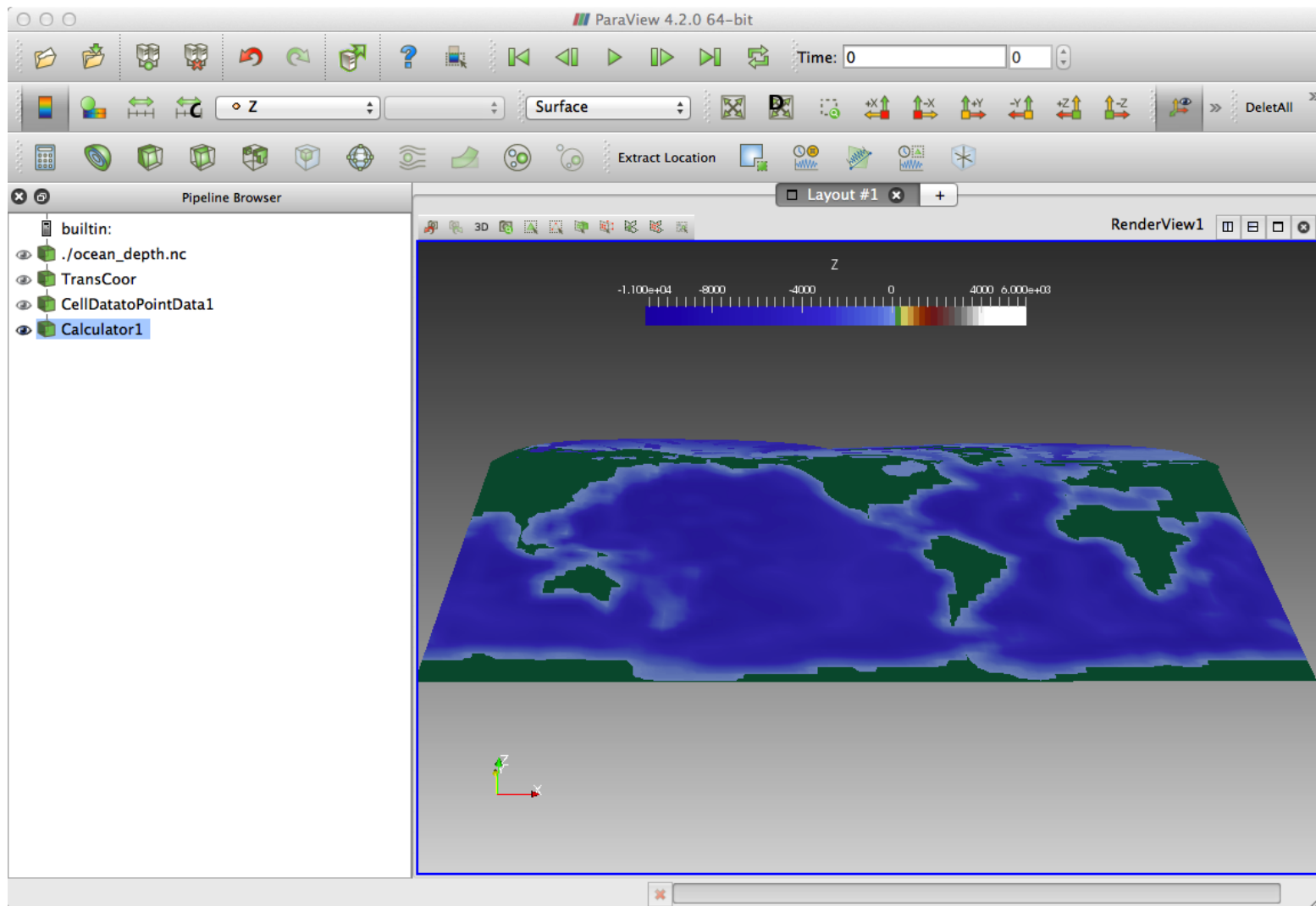


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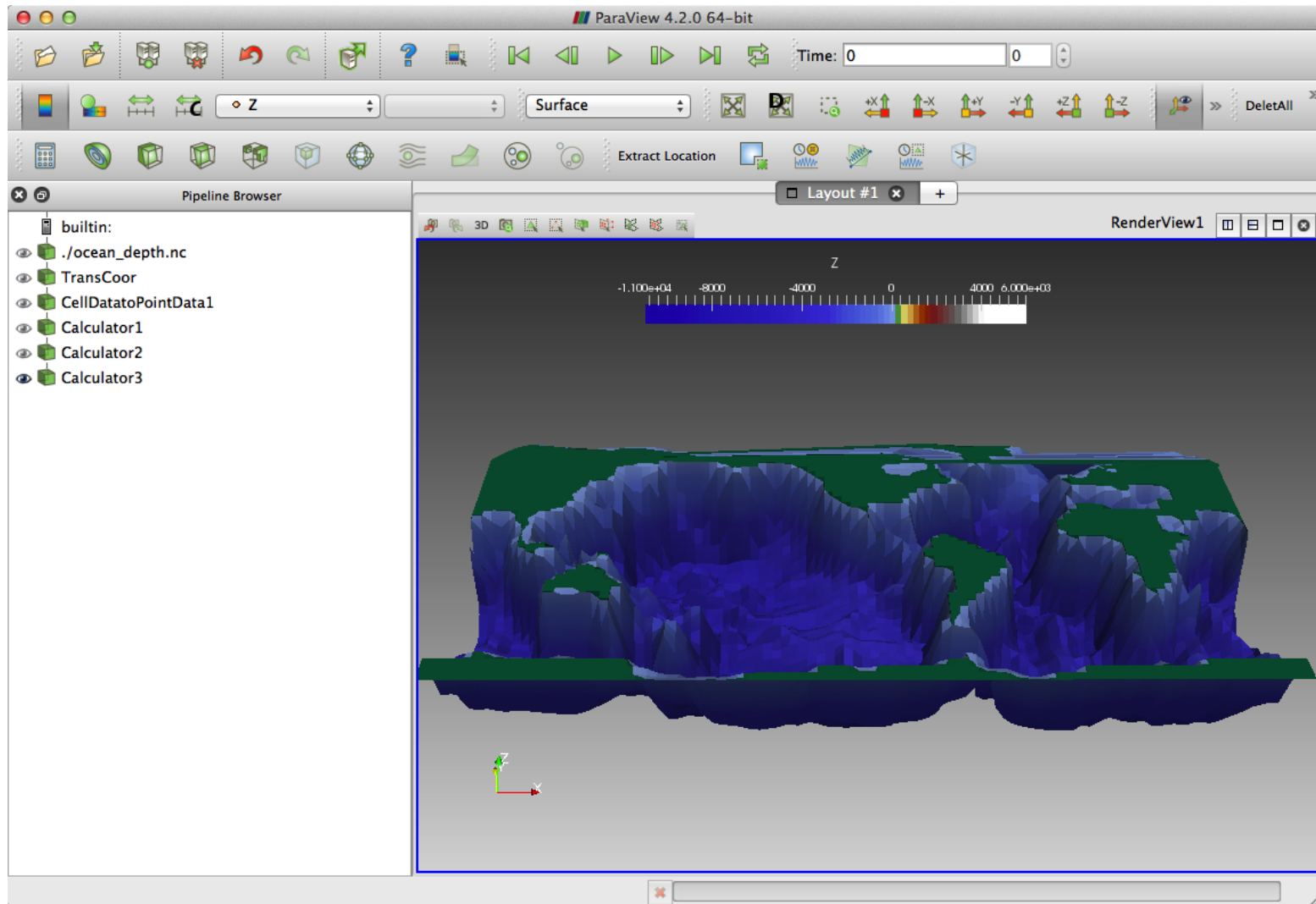




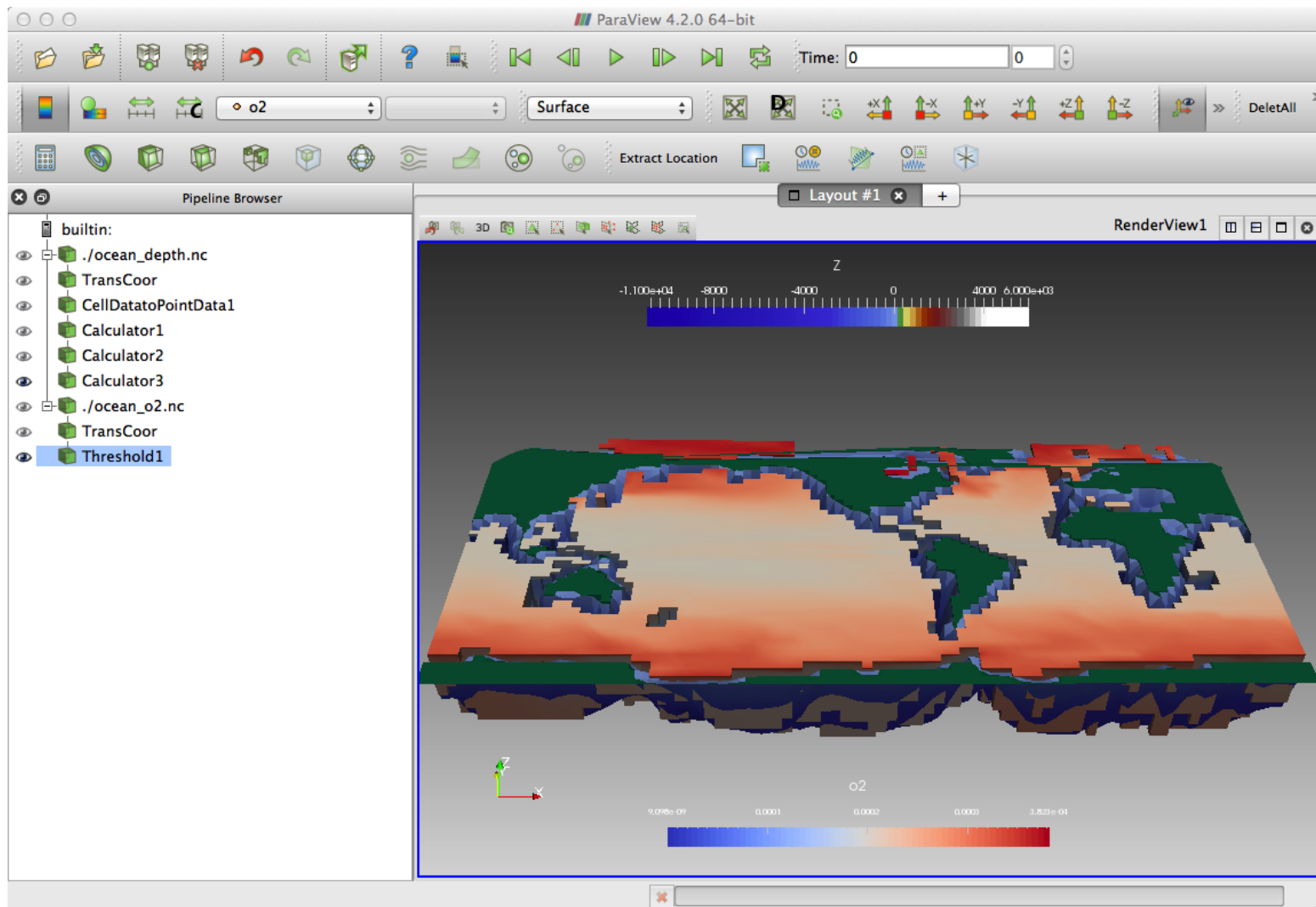
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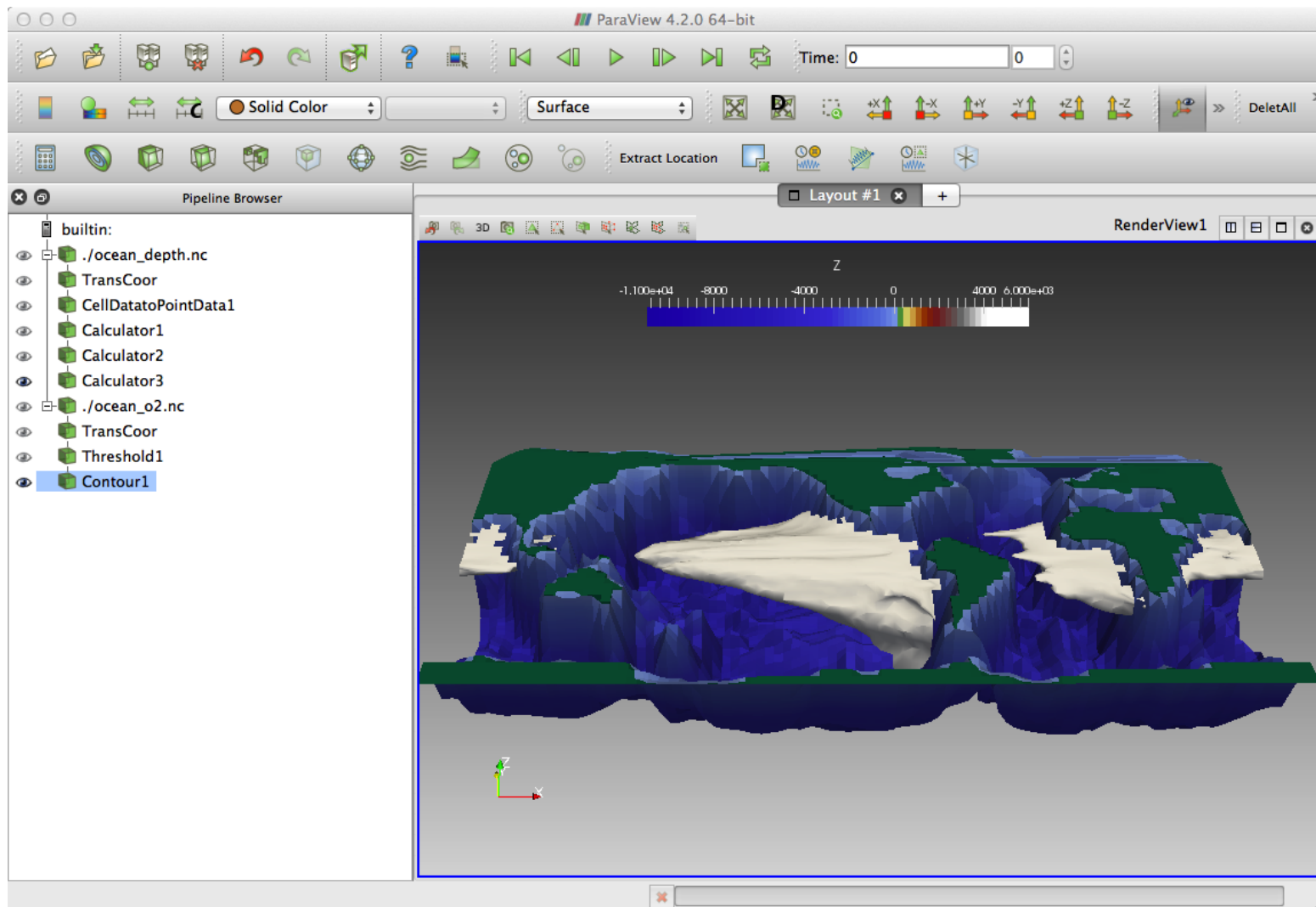
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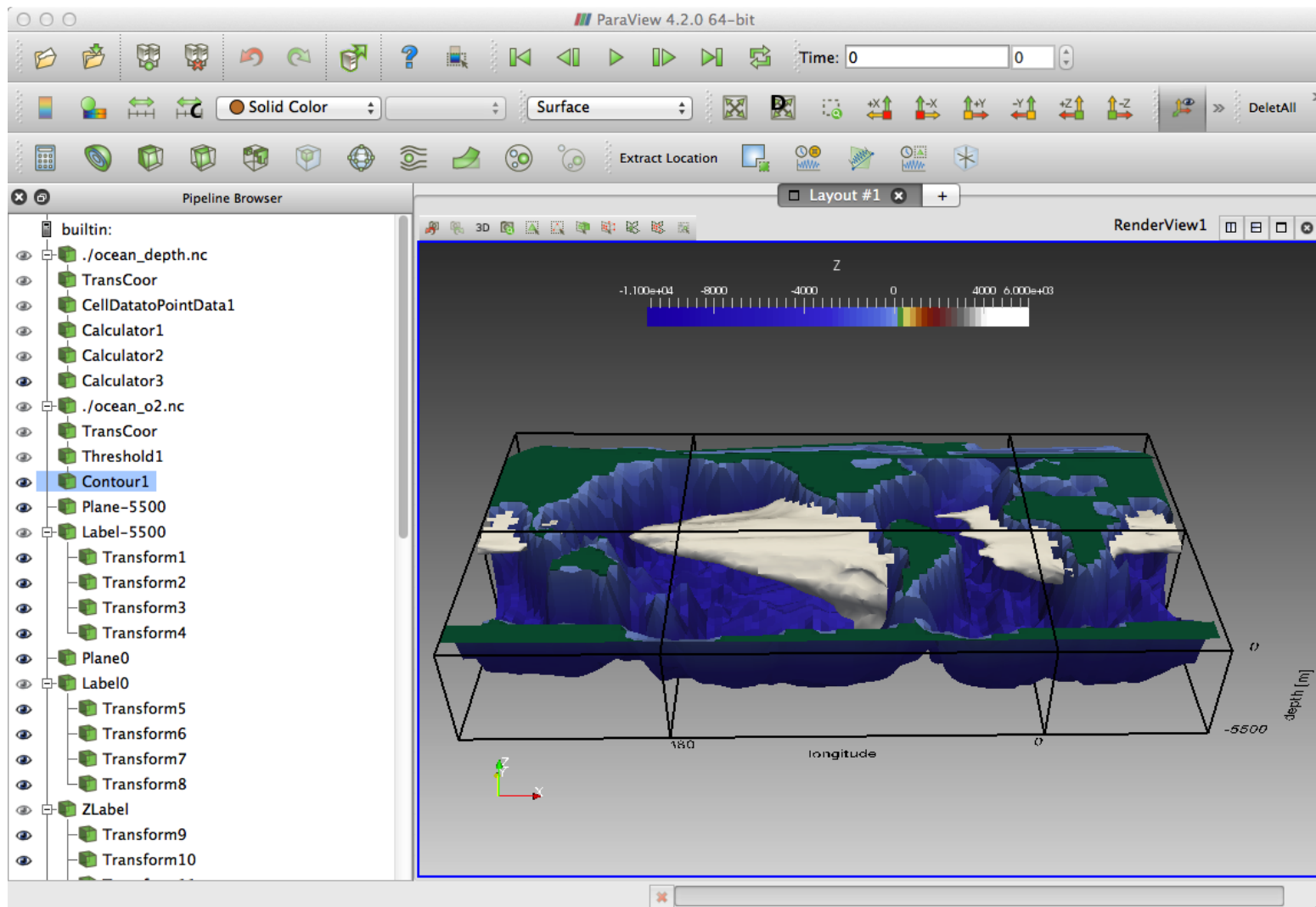
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o2_cont = Contour( o2_coor, ContourBy=['POINTS','o2'], Isosurfaces=[8e-5] )
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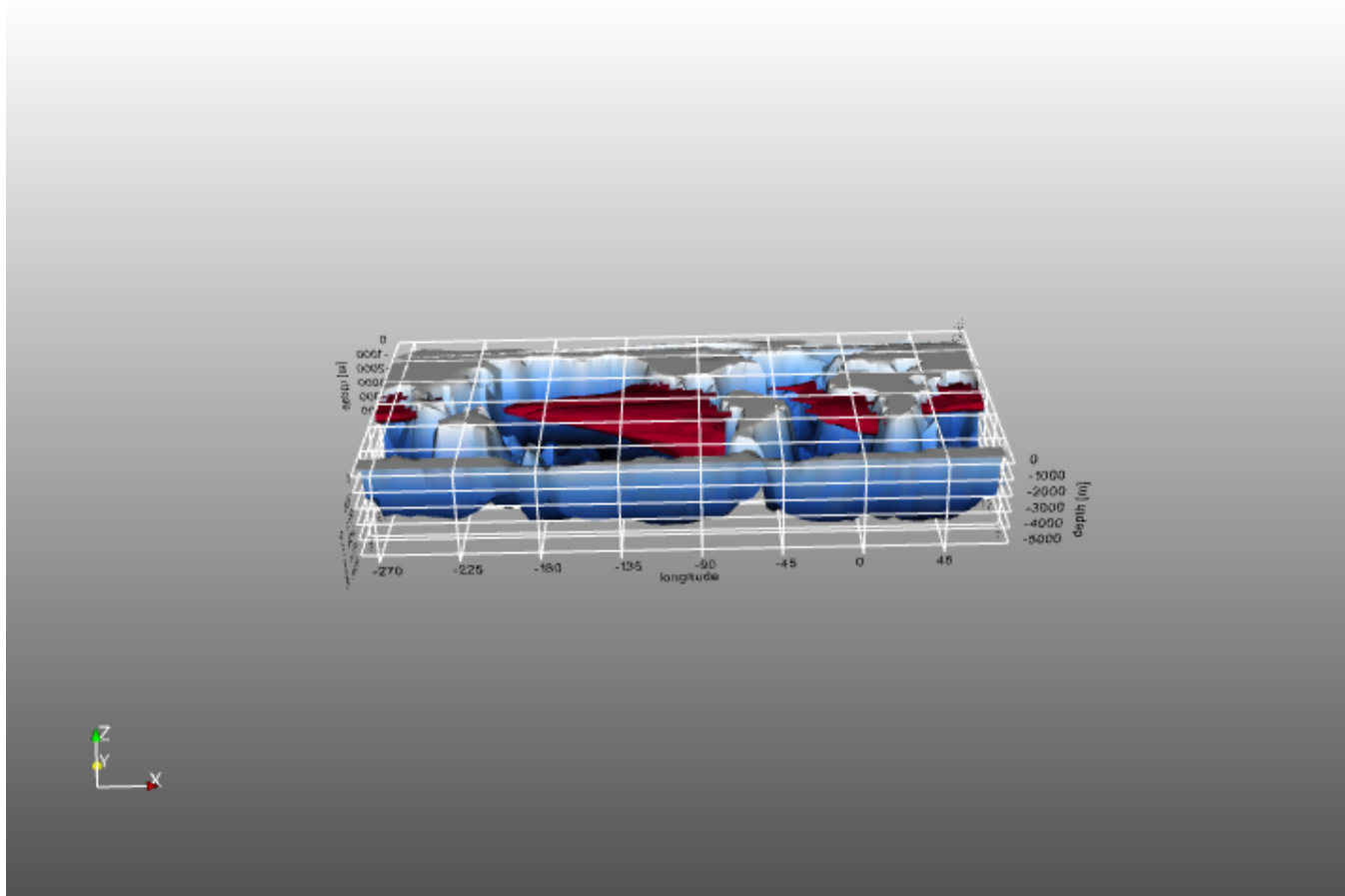
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o2_cont = Contour( o2_coor, ContourBy=['POINTS','o2'], Isosurfaces=[8e-5] )
AddGrid( xlevels=[-180,0], ylevels=[-90,0,90], zlevels=[-5000,0],
        bounds=[-280,80,-90,90,-5500,0], AxisNames=["longitude","latitude","depth"] )
```

# Exporting visualizations

- Images: png,bmp,tiff,ppm,jpg,pdf,eps,ps,svg
- Models: pov,vrml,x3d,x3db,webgl
- Movies: ogv,avi
- Data: CVS,Paraview data file

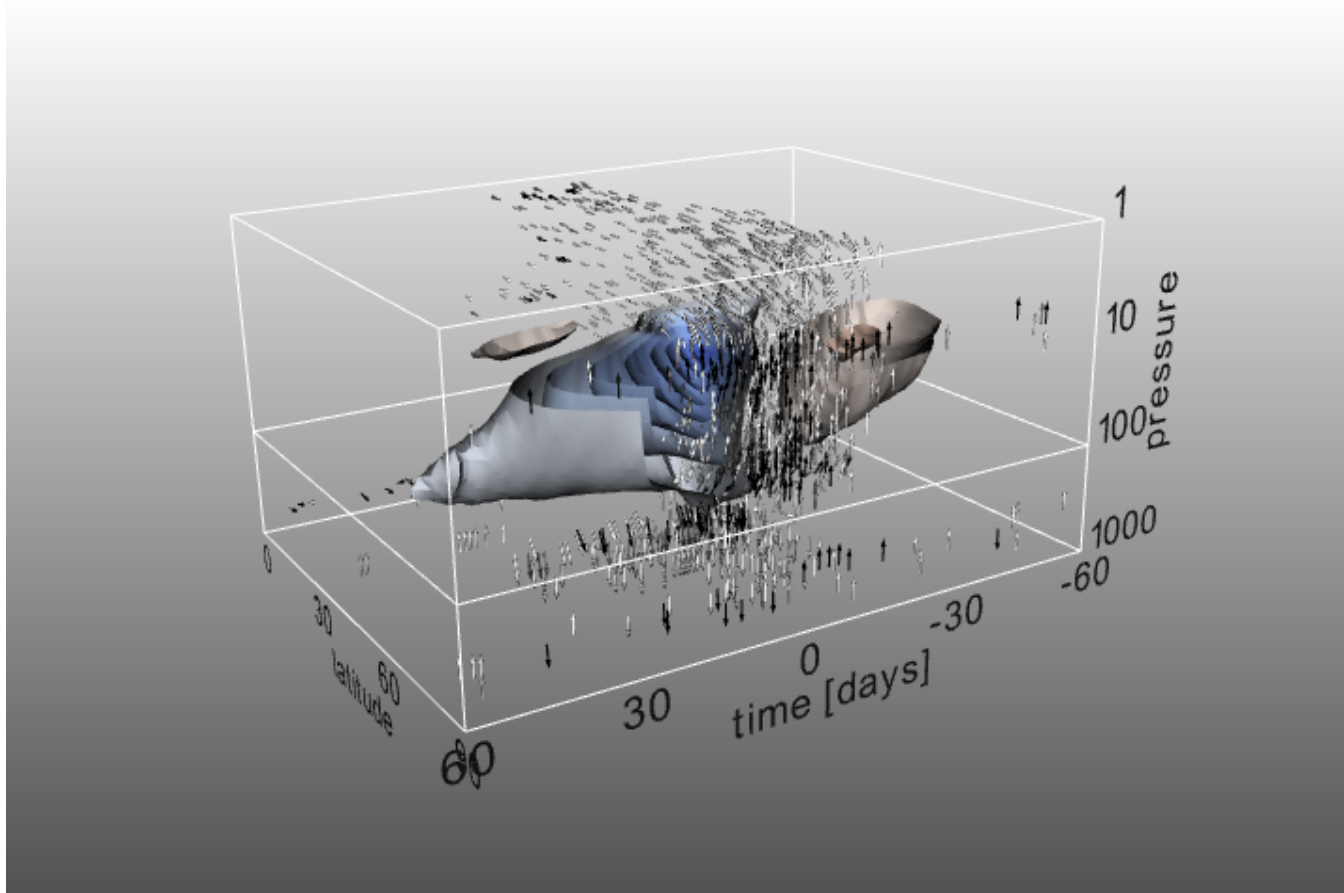
# Export images, movies, web, ...

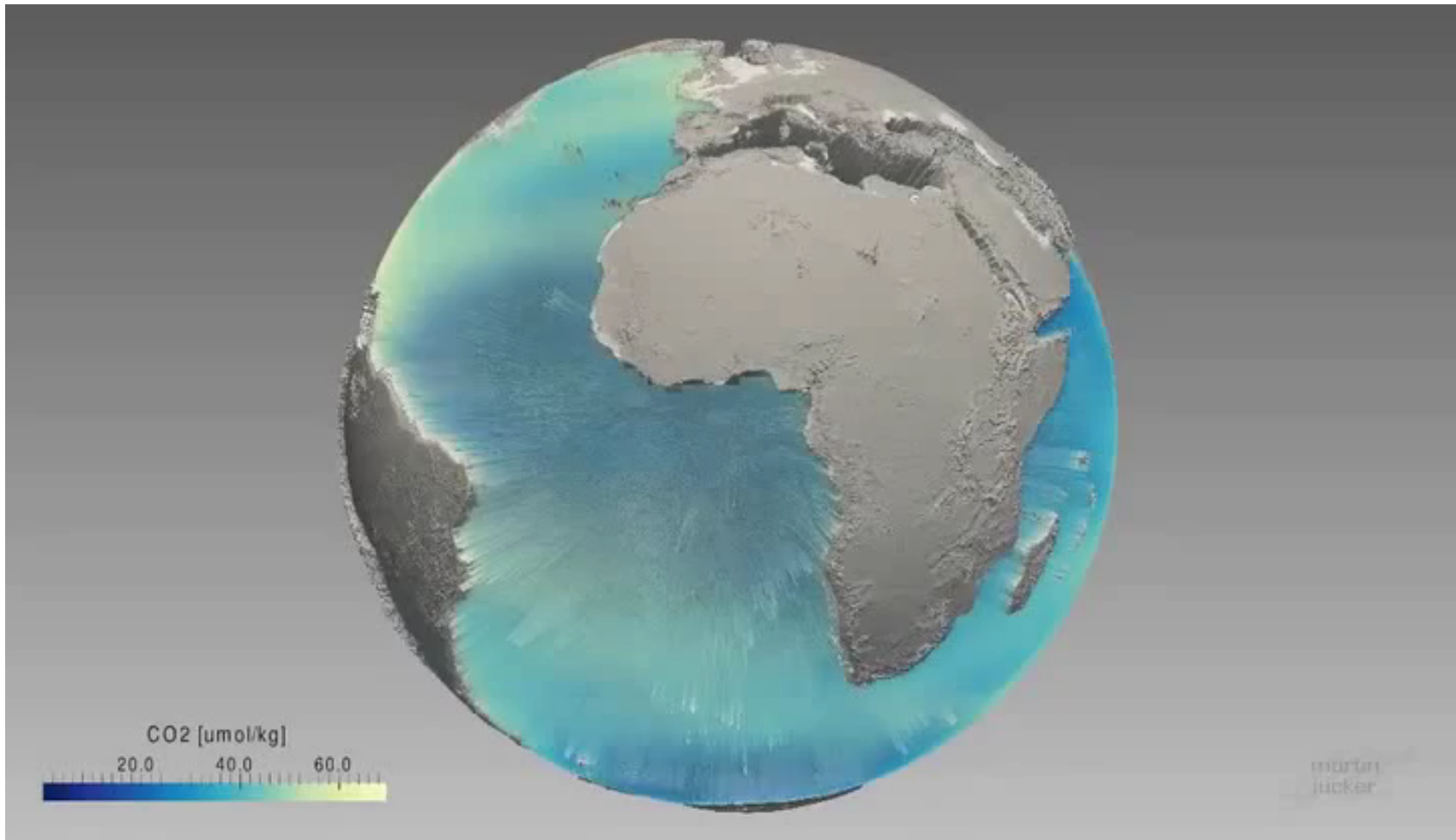
## Ex 1: Oceanic oxygen content



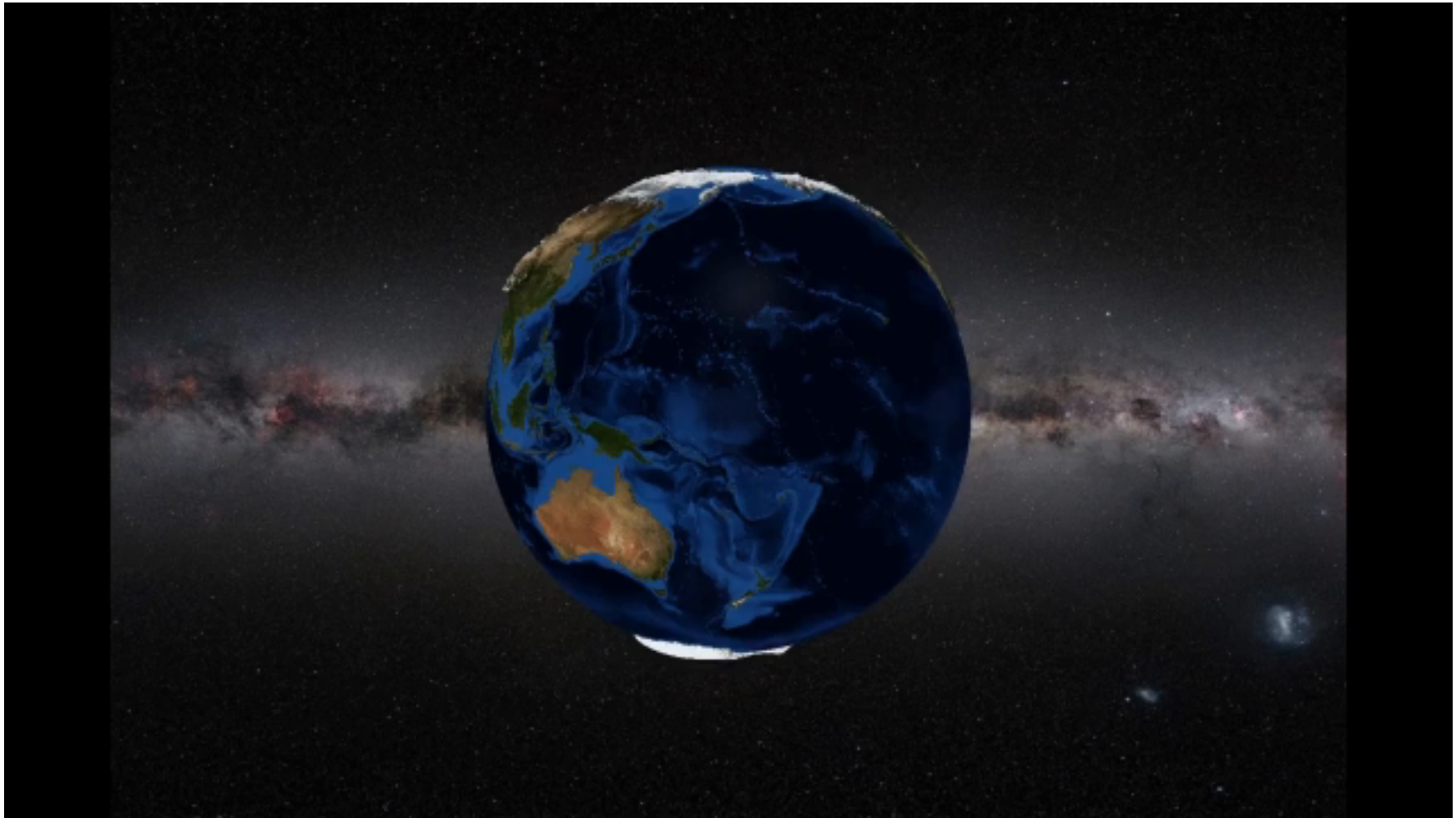


## Ex 2: Sudden Stratospheric Warming





"Anthropogenic CO2 in the Oceans" by Martin Jucker, [cims.nyu.edu/~jucker/media.html](http://cims.nyu.edu/~jucker/media.html)



"Antarctic Ozone Hole Animation" by Kane Stone, <http://vimeo.com/106151359>

# Summary and Conclusions

pv\_atmos is ...

- a Python module that brings GFD specific functionality to Paraview
- freely available on GitHub or PyPi
- a bunch of scripts, so no installation necessary (but possible)

With Paraview + pv\_atmos you can ...

- see 3D data in 3D (+ time)
- "hands-on" understanding
- extract correlations visually (data extraction/coloring)
- make complex things easier to understand for non-experts

## Get the code:

- ParaView: [www.paraview.org](http://www.paraview.org), Open Source BSD license
- pv\_atmos: [github.com/mjucker/pv\\_atmos](https://github.com/mjucker/pv_atmos), Open Source MIT license

## Get help and cite:

- [see above]
- Jucker, M (2014): *Scientific Visualisation of Atmospheric Data with ParaView*. Journal of Open Research Software 2(1):e4, DOI: <http://dx.doi.org/10.5334/jors.a1>

Thanks for citing above paper when using pv\_atmos!