

Coupling the Coastal and Regional Ocean COmmunity model (CROCO) with the Biogeochemical Flux Model (BFM)



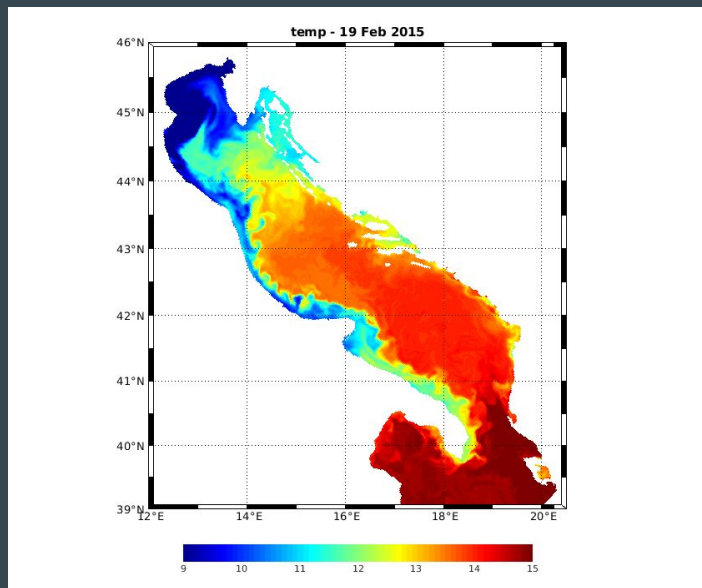
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CROCO

Terrain following (sigma), non-hydrostatic (optional), croco_tools MATLAB package



32 sigma levels
2 km and 4 km grids
39 freshwater sources

ERA5, MSCAN-SURFEX, COSMO_REA6,
ECMWF forecasts

Med MFC physical reanalysis B.C. (CMEMS)

BFM

Chemical Functional Families (CFF) &
Living Functional Groups (LFG)

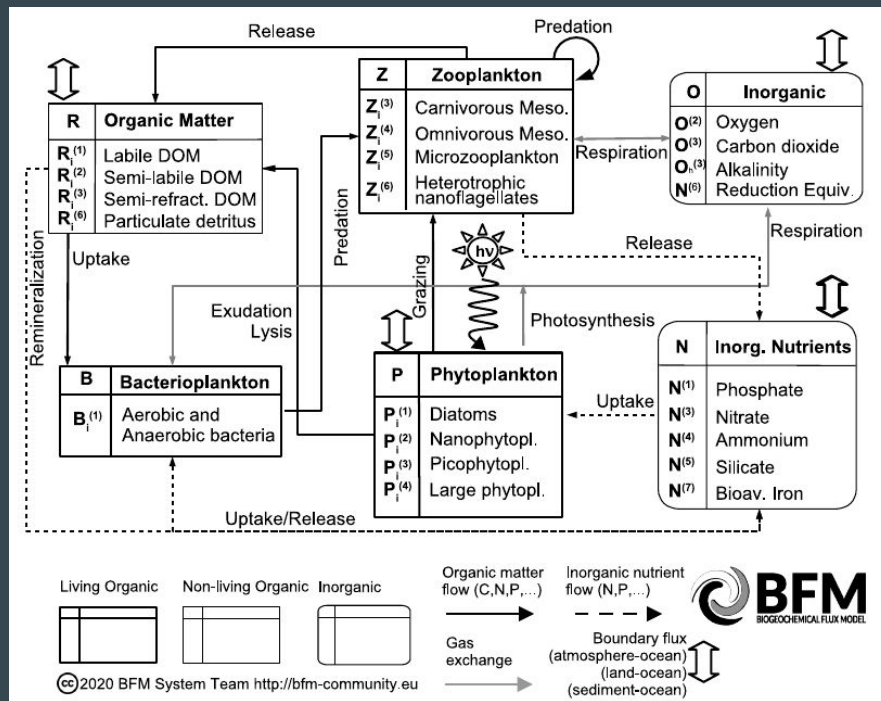
CFFs: C, N, P, Si, O, Fe, Chl

Variable stoichiometry

Modular

Used in CMEMS Mediterranean Sea
Biogeochemistry Reanalysis

Introduces 58 new variables / tracers



Source: Vichi et al., BFM 5.2 manual, June 2020

Coupling

CROCO v1.1 + BFM 5.2.0

CROCO+PISCES and NEMO+BFM as templates

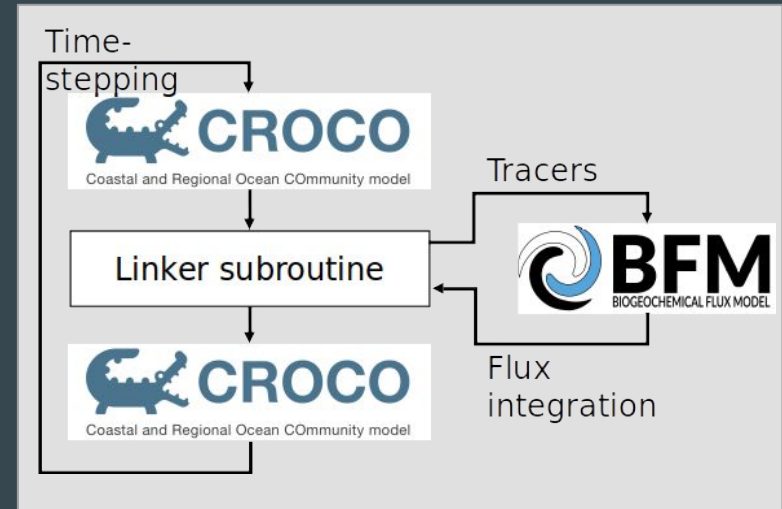
CROCO computes momentum, mass and heat transport

Linking subroutine transforms CROCO tracer arrays to BFM format

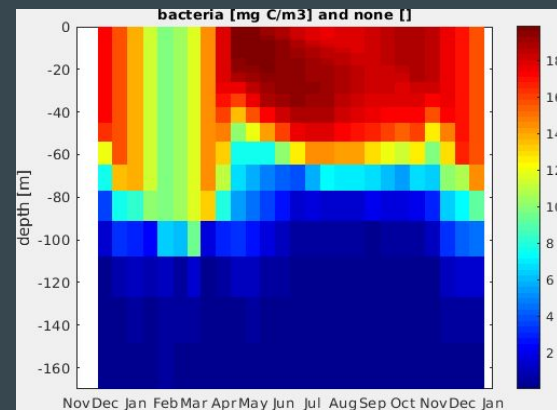
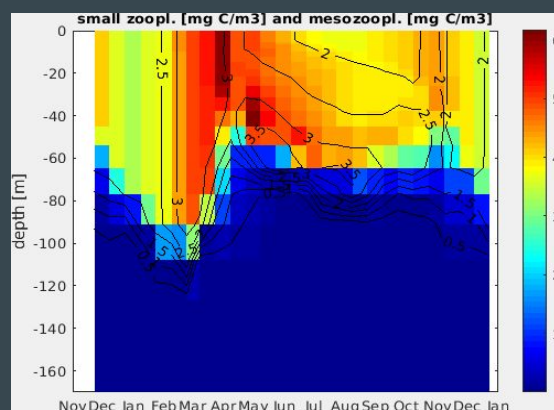
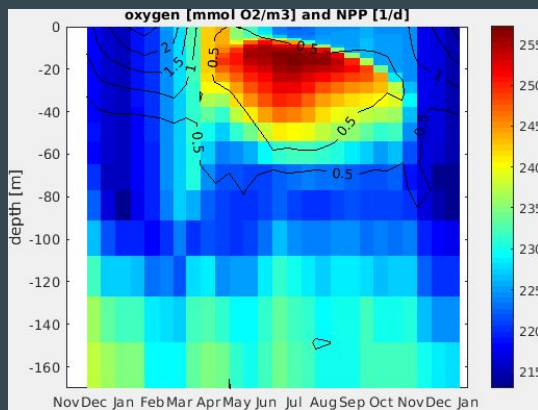
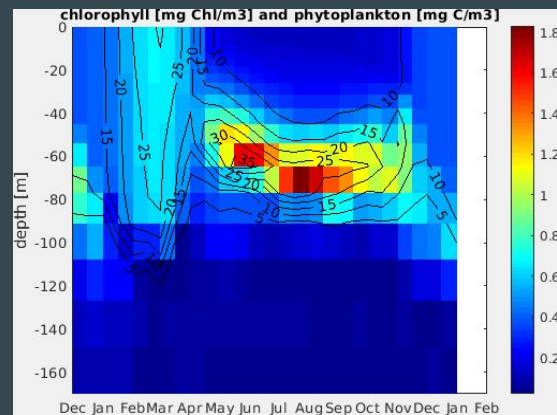
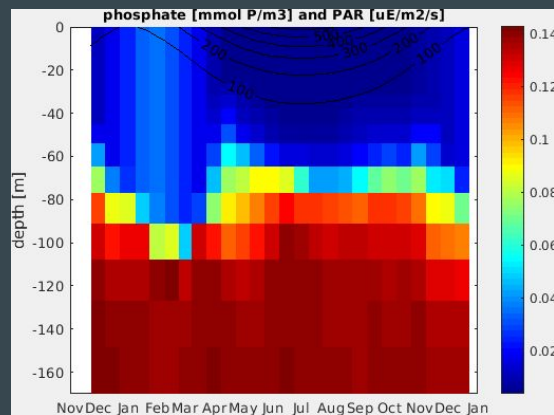
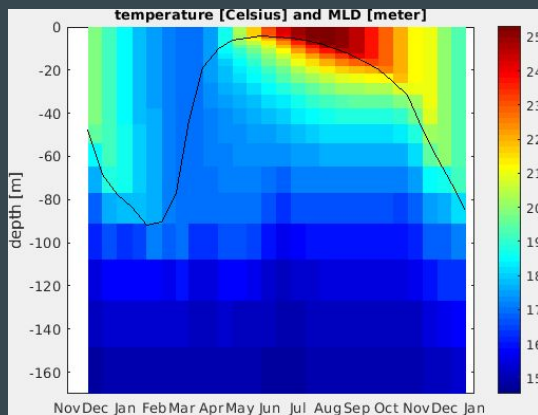
BFM is run in each ocean point as a batch system

CROCO tracer arrays are updated with BFM results

CROCO's subroutines are used for data output



Test basin



Speed

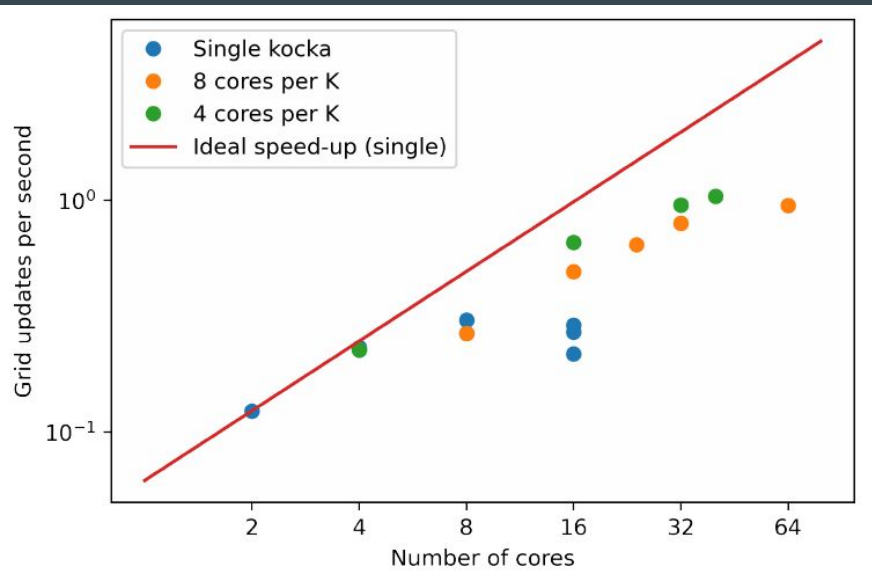
“Kocka”: node

2x Intel Xeon E5520, 4 Cores, 2.27GHz

RAM: 11 GB

LONGTIMESTEP (Cossarini et al., 2017):

$LSn = 8 \Rightarrow 4x$ speedup of CROCO-BFM



Adriatic Sea - first run

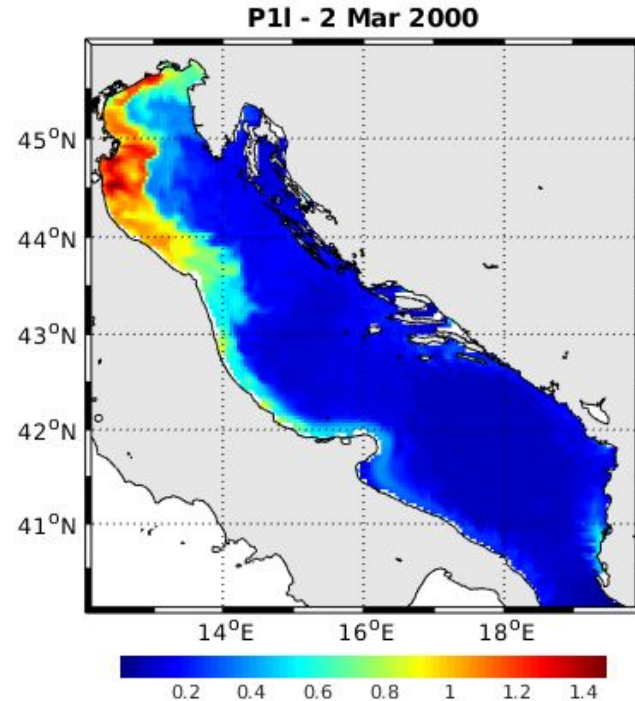
$\Delta x = 4$ km, $\Delta t = 600$ s

39 rivers

Nutrients: Cossarini et al. (2017)
Krachler et al. (2005)

Analytical initial and boundary c.
ERA5 atmos. forcing

Longtimestep: LS_n = 8
20h/year on 64 cores
3.5h/year CROCO only



To Do

- Much more testing
- Realistic simulations
- Clean up the code
- Make the code publicly available

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