

WAVETRISK-OCEAN

an adaptive dynamical core for ocean modelling

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(Credit: NASA Apollo 17 mission)

- 1 Shallow water equations on the plane using TRISK discretization.

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- 2 Shallow water equations on the sphere using TRISK discretization (*Icosahedral C-grid*).

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- 3 3D hydrostatic extension using DYNAMICO approach, horizontal adaptivity.

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- 4 Lagrangian vertical coordinates (*PPR conservative remapping*).

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- 1 **Incompressible** version of WAVETRISK for ocean modelling.

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- 2 Volume **penalization** for **coastline** boundary conditions (*shallow water model*).

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- 3 Volume penalization for bathymetry in CROCO (*Debreu, Kevlahan, Marchesiello 2020, Ocean Modelling*).

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- 4 Barotropic–baroclinic **mode splitting** (*implicit free surface*).

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- 5 **Vertical diffusion** with TKE closure, surface forcing of velocity and buoyancy.

Approximations of WAVETRISK-OCEAN

- Hydrostatic
- Simple Boussinesq
(*exactly incompressible* $\rho_{pot} = \rho - \rho_0 g z / c_s^2 \approx \rho$).
- Hamiltonian-based **inhomogeneous multilayer shallow** water equations
(*Ripa 1993*).
- Conservative **remapping** (*Engwirda and Kelly 2016*).
- Barotropic–baroclinic mode splitting
(*implicit free surface, adaptive multilevel method for elliptic problem*).
- Linear equation of state.
- Vertical diffusion.
(*TKE closure as in NEMO/CROCO*.)
- Volume penalization of coastlines.
(*no-slip boundary conditions*.)

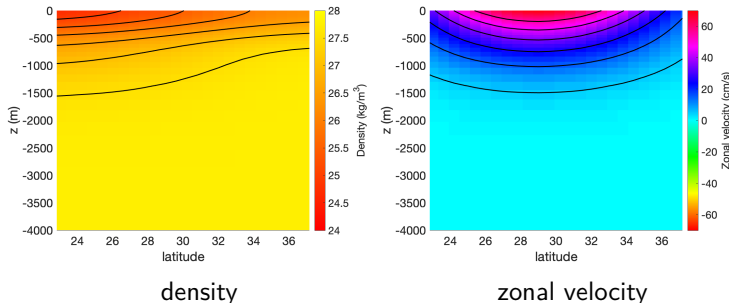
Dynamical equations

inertial mass (<i>layer heights</i>)	$\partial_t \mu_{ik} + \delta_i U_{ek} =$	$K_\mu D_\phi \mu_{ik}$
mass-weighted buoyancy	$\partial_t \Theta_{ik} + \delta_i (\theta_{ek}^* U_{ek}) =$	$K_\Theta D_\phi \Theta_{ik},$
velocity	$\partial_t v_{ek} + \delta_e B_{ik} - \theta_{ek}^* \delta_e \overline{\Phi_{il}}^k + (q_{ek} U_{ek})_e^\perp =$	$K_\delta D_\delta v_{ek} + K_\omega D_\omega v_{ek}$
		horizontal diffusion

$\mu_{ik} = \rho_0 \Delta z_{ik}$	inertial mass
$\theta_{ik} = 1 - \rho_{ik} / \rho_0$	buoyancy
$U_{ek} = \overline{\mu_{ik}}^e v_{ek}$	horizontal mass flux

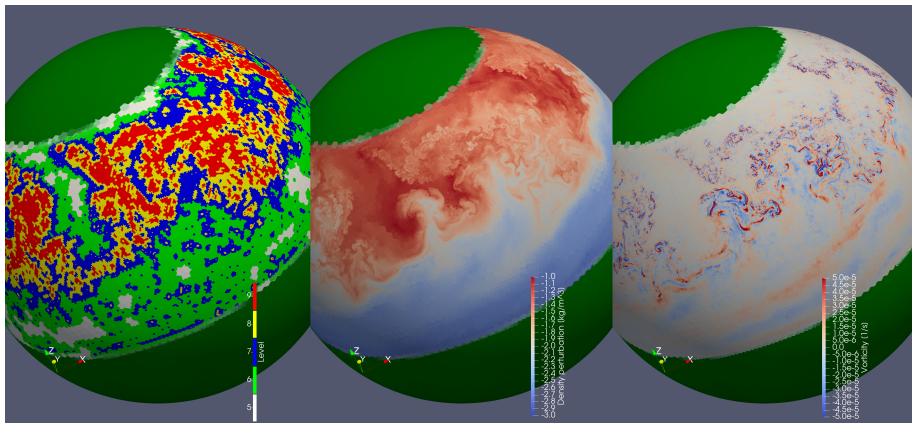
Unstable baroclinic jet (*Soufflet et al 2016*)

- Realistic test with TKE vertical diffusion model and 60 vertical layers.
- Localized **turbulence** is a good test of adaptivity.
- Spherical harmonic energy spectra computed using `shtools`.



Initial conditions (zonal averages).

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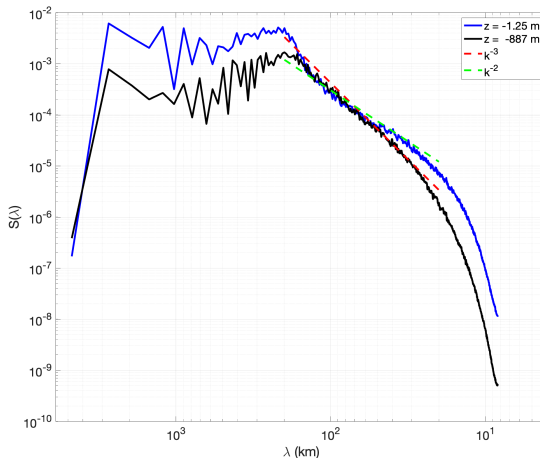
adaptive grid (*5 levels*)

density perturbation

vorticity

Baroclinic turbulence in top layer.

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Energy spectrum at surface and at -897 m.

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Ongoing work

- **Adapt vertical grid** by optimizing target grid (*r-adaptivity*) or de-activating some vertical layers (*dormant layers*).
- Implement penalization of **bathymetry**.
- **Realistic** global ocean simulations where **turbulence** dynamics are important.