



# *2D/3D tidal modelling: T-UGOm spectral solver*

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# T-UGOm is basically a time-stepping model... so Why doing frequency-domain modeling ?

- First implemented to downscale global tidal atlases at open boundaries (currents issue)
- Realistic solutions
  - true turbulence closure
  - non-linearities solved by iterating solving cycle
- Extremely cheap compared to time-stepping modeling
- Easy implementation of various experiments/tuning allowed
- No separation issue (seasonal variability easier to examine)
- Well suited for frequency-domain data assimilation

Complementary to time-stepping simulation efforts...

# Spectral equations for astronomical tides

(equations for non-linear tides also available)

- Quasi-linearised, spectral Shallow-Water equations

- Momentum equation  $j\omega \mathbf{u} + \mathbf{f} \times \mathbf{u} = -g\nabla(\eta + \delta) + g\nabla\Pi - \mathbf{F}\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{D}\mathbf{u}$
- continuity equation  $j\omega\eta + \nabla \cdot \mathbf{h}\mathbf{u} = 0$

$$\mathbf{F} = \begin{bmatrix} r & r' \\ r'' & r''' \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{D} = c\rho_0 \frac{\kappa^{-1}}{\omega} [(\mathcal{N}^2 - \omega^2)(\omega^2 - f^2)]^{\frac{1}{2}} [\nabla h \cdot {}^t \nabla h]$$

see Lyard et al., 2006, *Modelling the global ocean tides: modern insights from FES2004*, Ocean Dynamics  
<http://dx.doi.org/10.1007/s10236-006-0086-x>

- Discrete equations (transport)

- Momentum equation  $\mathbf{M}\mathbf{U} = -\mathbf{G}\eta + \mathbf{\Theta}$

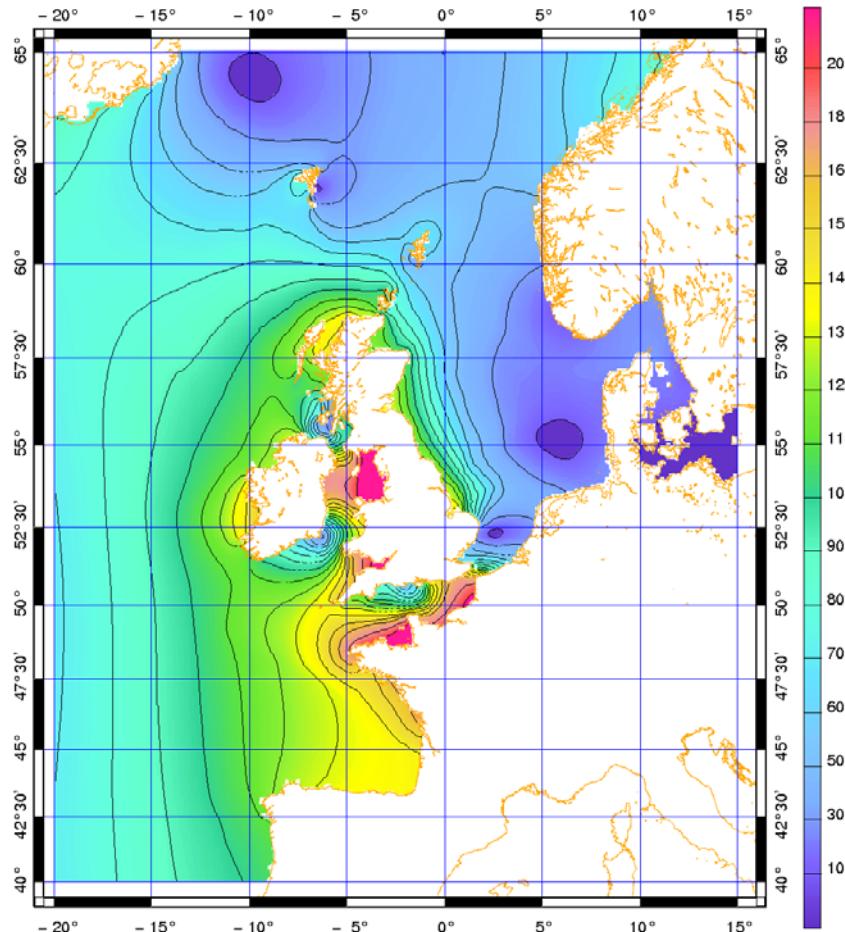
- Wave equation  $j\omega \mathbf{B}\eta - \nabla \cdot \mathbf{M}^{-1}\mathbf{G}\eta = -\mathbf{D}\mathbf{M}^{-1}\mathbf{G}\eta = -\nabla \cdot \mathbf{M}^{-1}\mathbf{\Theta}$

discrete velocity and elevation solution are fully consistent

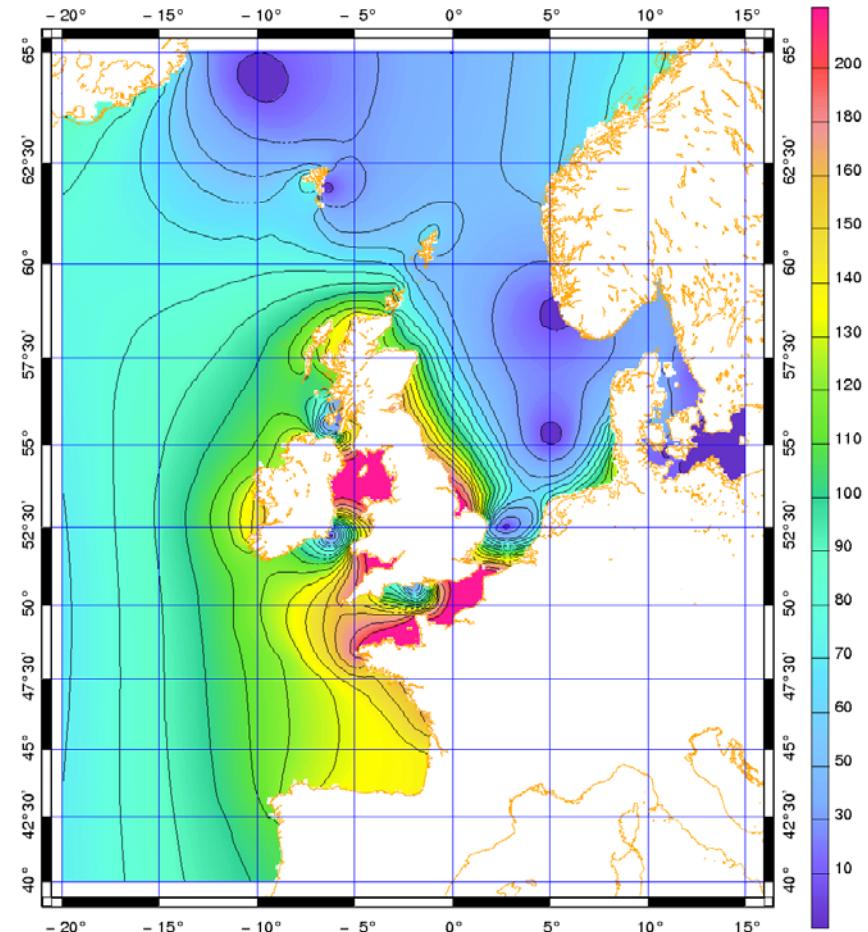
- Double complex **sparse** matrix solver: PASTIX

- OpenMP optimized, MPI available
- Stable for large numbers of DoF (UMFPACK is not)

# non-linearities: solved by iterating solving cycle



M2 elevation : iteration 1



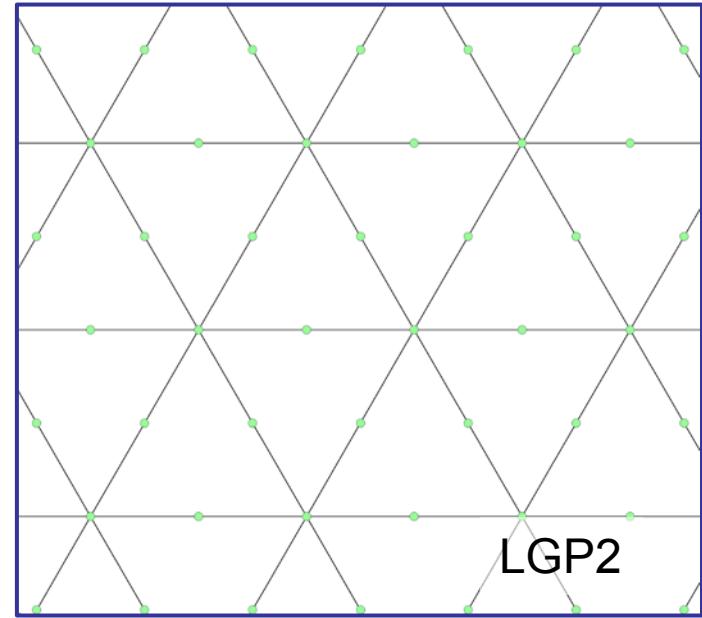
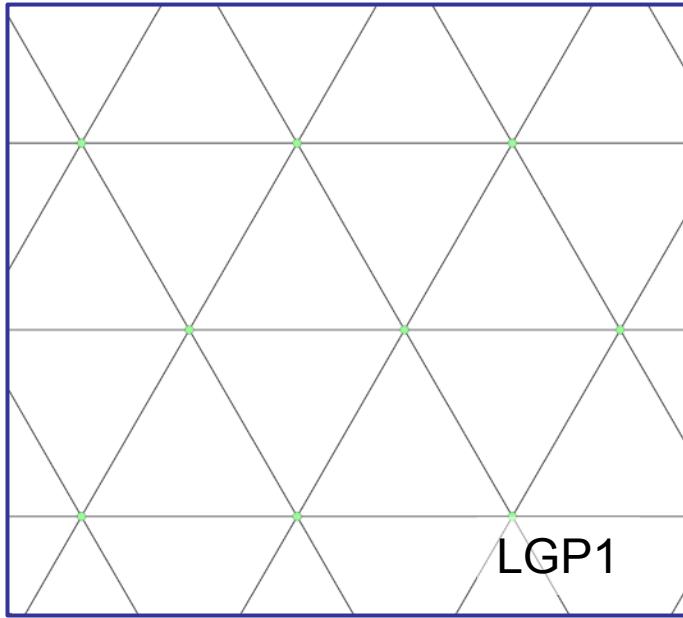
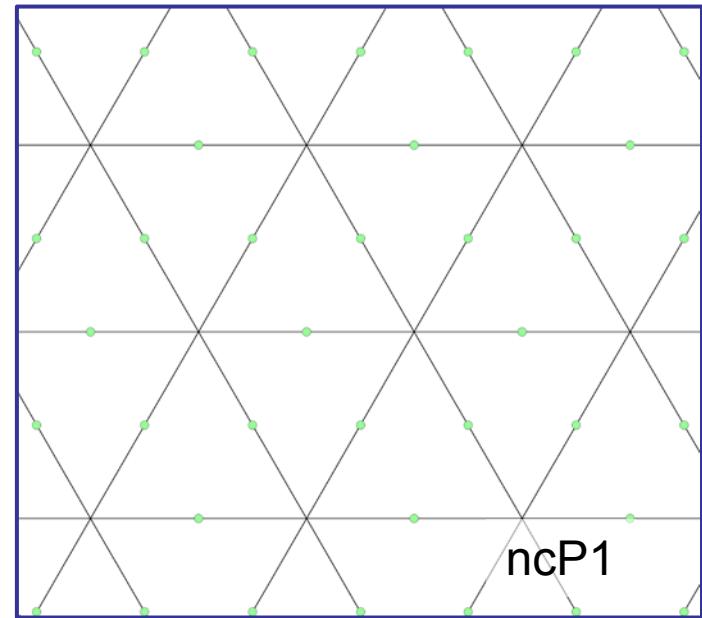
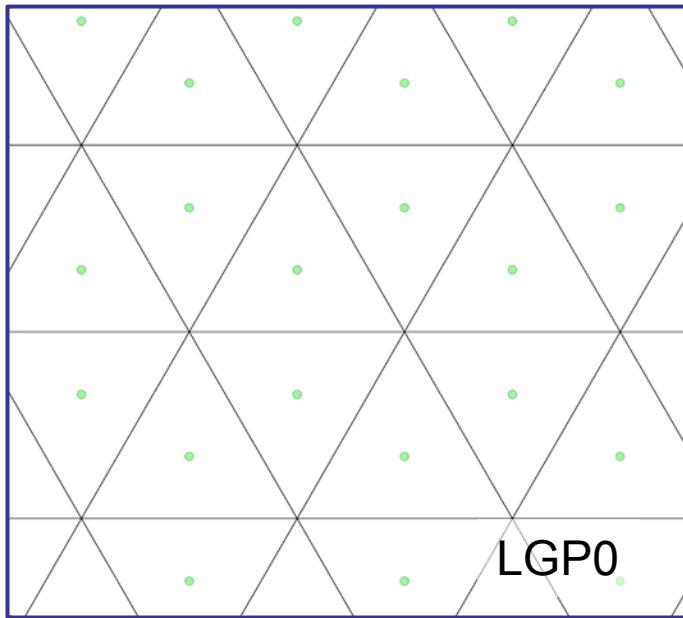
M2 elevation : iteration 10



# Triangle elements

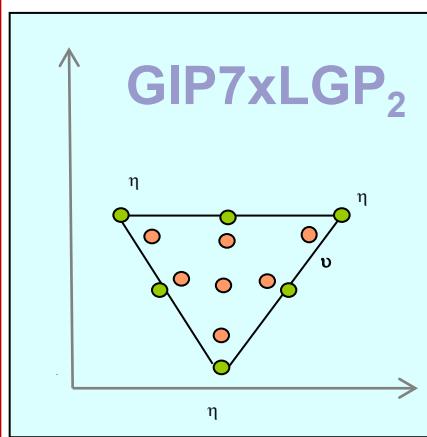
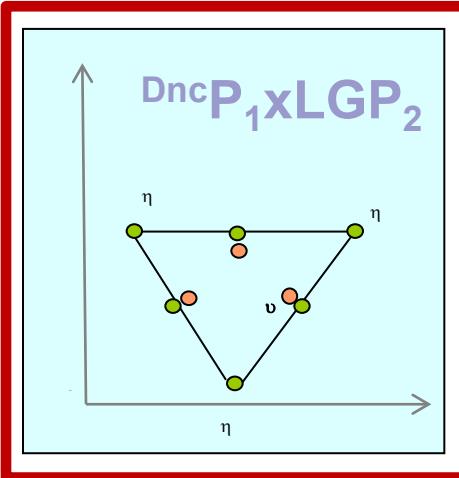
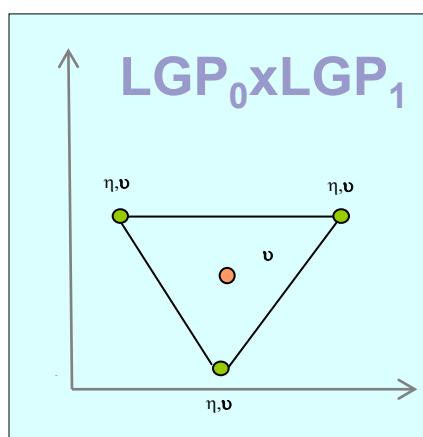
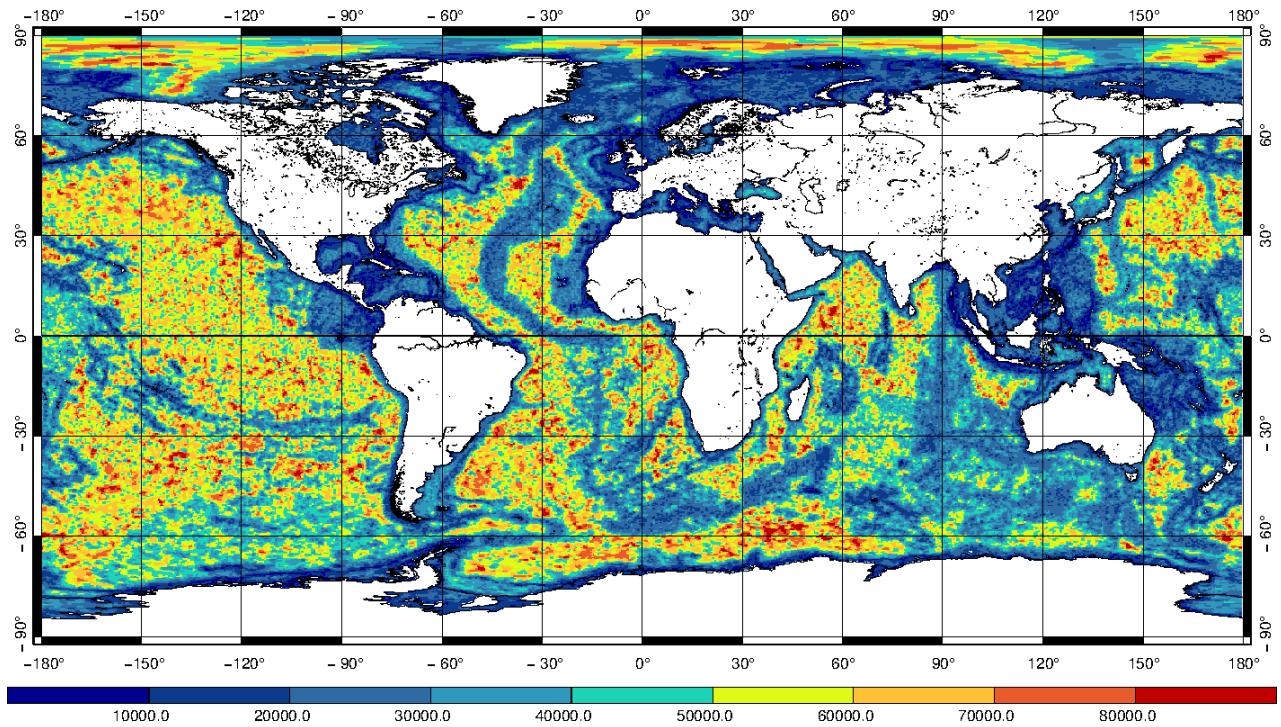
## 2D spectral modeling

## Available discretisation



# FES2014 discretisation, resolution, DoF

- 750 000 vertices
- 1 500 000 triangles
- 3 000 000 elevation nodes
- 4 500 000 velocity nodes



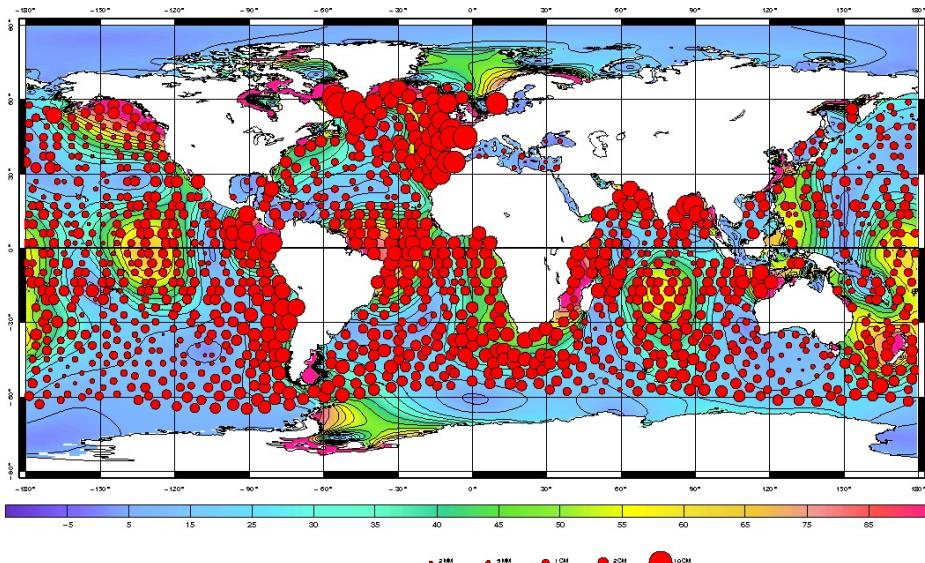
# 2D global ocean tides and storm surges modeling

## Objectives in preparation of SWOT mission

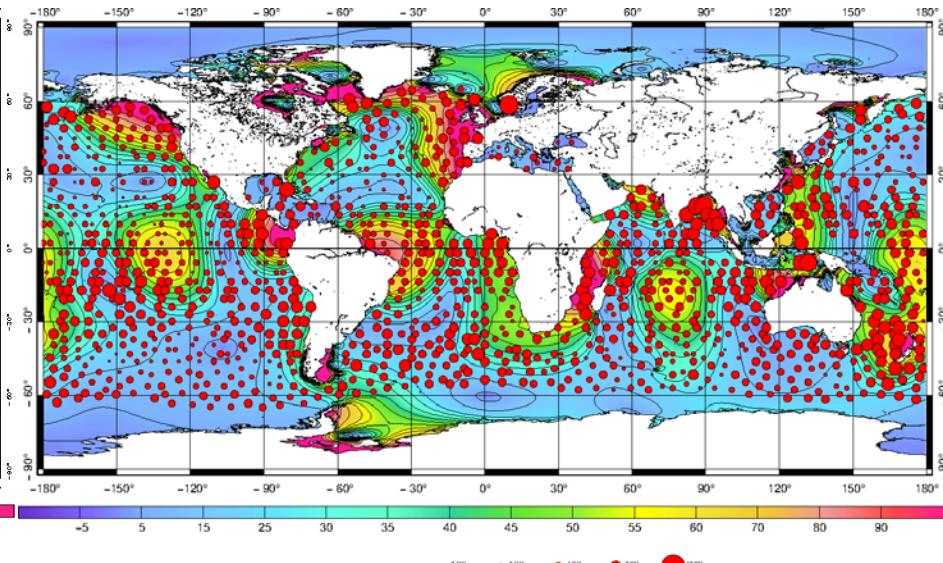
- Continuously improve hydrodynamic tidal solution accuracy
- Use data assimilation (tide gauge and altimetry-derived observations) to reach altimetry requirements
- Upgrade the global ocean storm surges simulator
- Increase coastal resolution

wave	FES2012	FES2014
M2	24 / 93 mm	<b>13 / 53 mm</b>
S2	10 / 28 mm	<b>8 / 18 mm</b>
K1	11 / 30 mm	<b>9 / 23 mm</b>
O1	12 / 30 mm	<b>7 / 20 mm</b>

*comparisons against TP-J1-J2 (deep / shelf)*

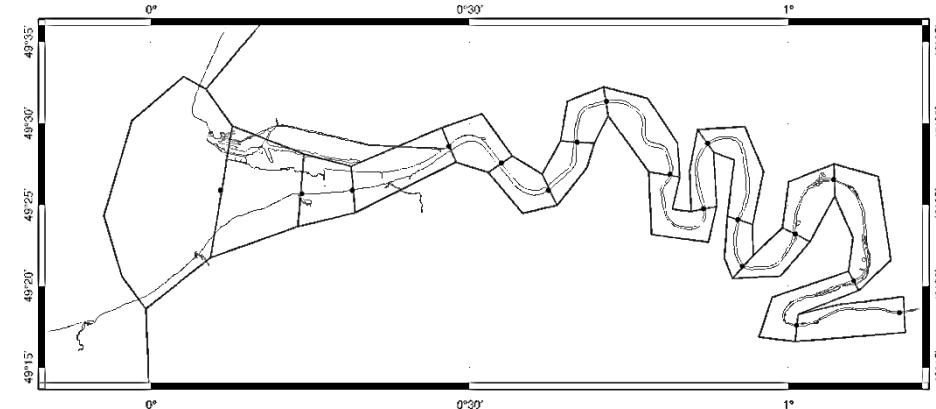


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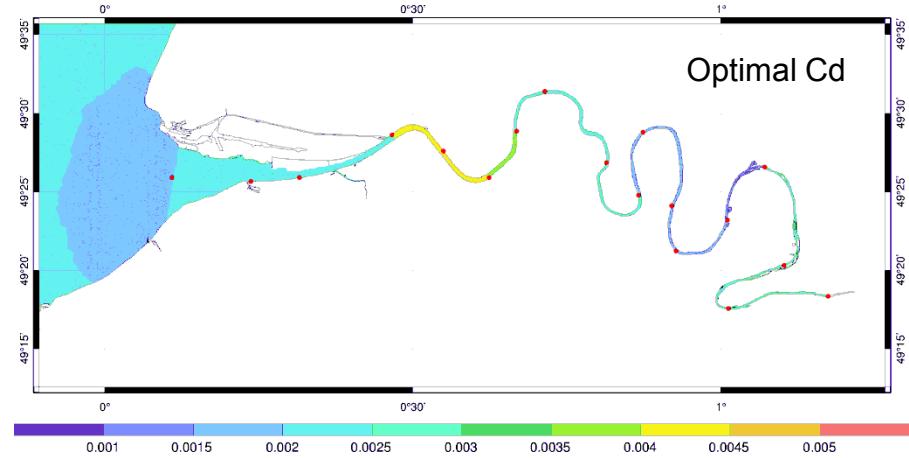


FES2014 hydrodynamic reference

# Spectral estuarine simulation



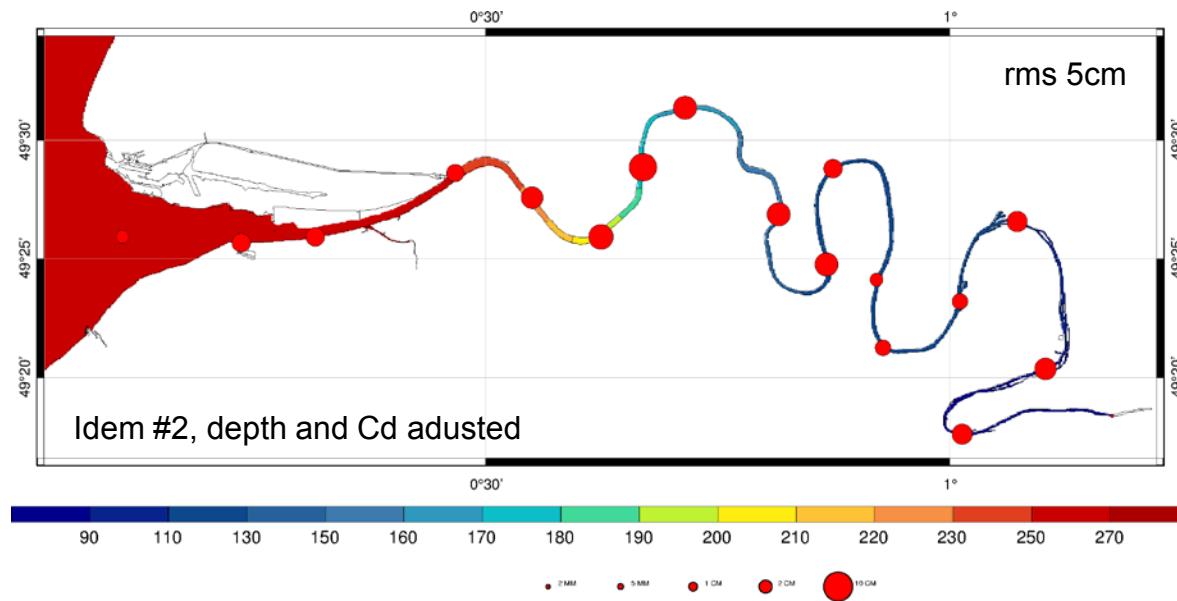
Calibration polygons (Cd and H offset)



Following damping and phase lags, Cd and H are modified in sections until fitting observations

So calibration works:

- Spectral calibration much quicker
- Still, automatized calibration schemes would be nice



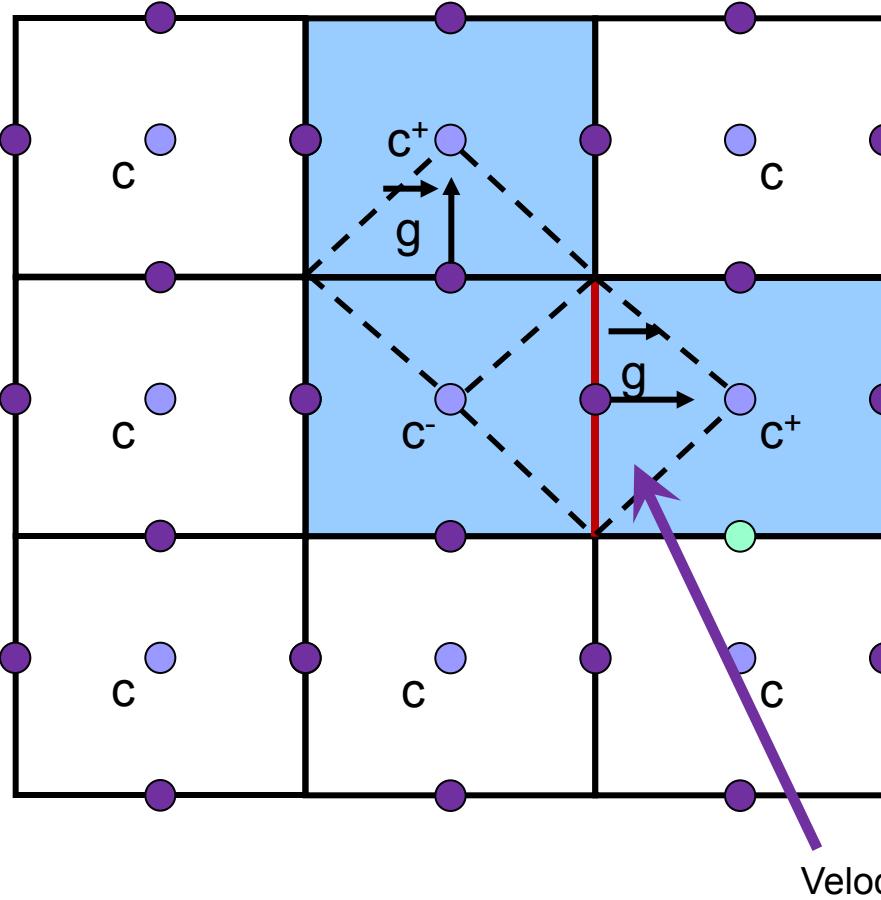


# Quadrangle elements 2D spectral modeling

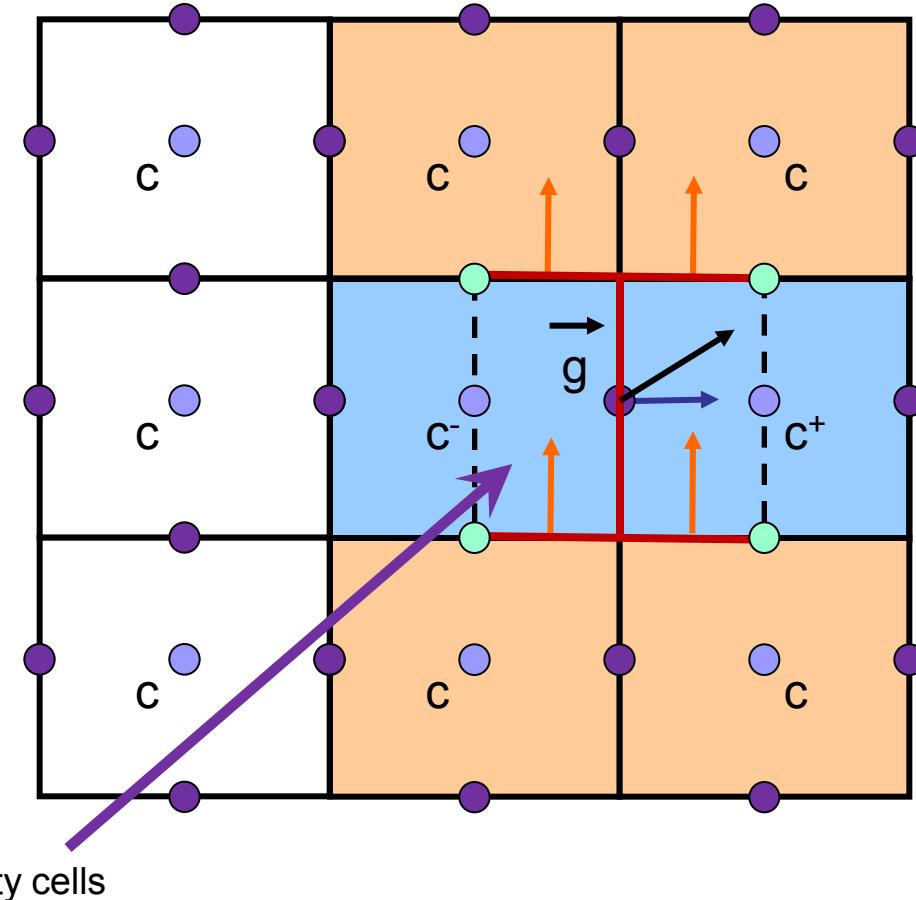
# Pressure gradient issue

- Pressure gradient #1 ill-constrains tangential gradient (ill-defined Coriolis term)
- Pressure gradient #2 provides a full gradient, but is over-lapping

Pressure gradient scheme #1  
Identical to C-grid

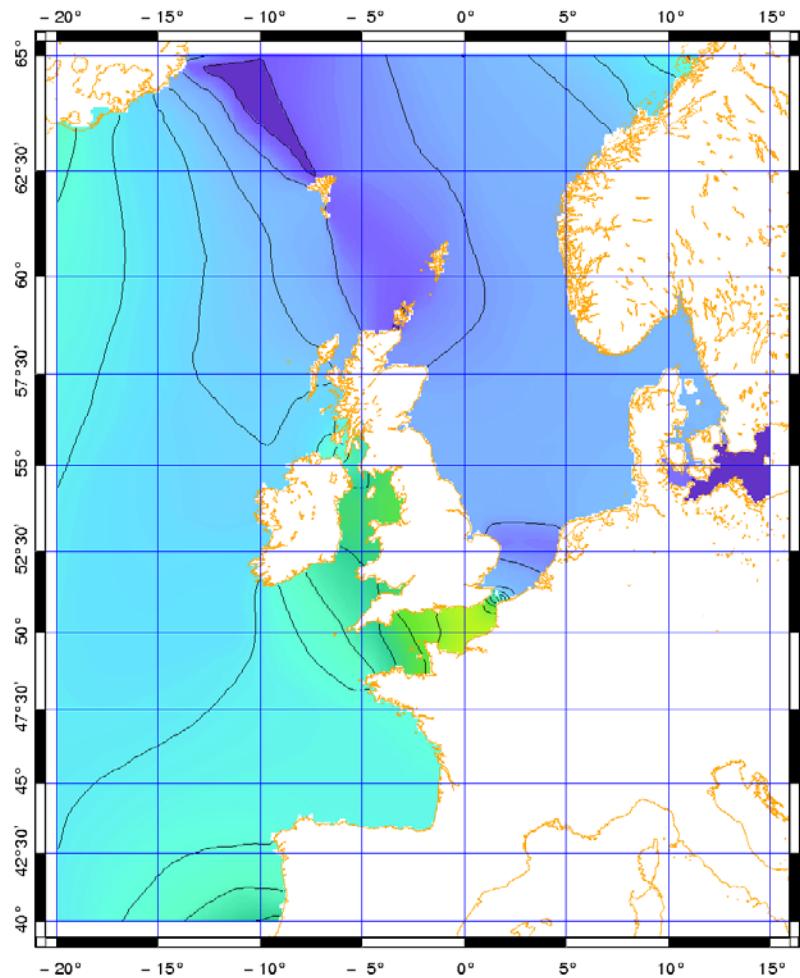


Pressure gradient scheme #2

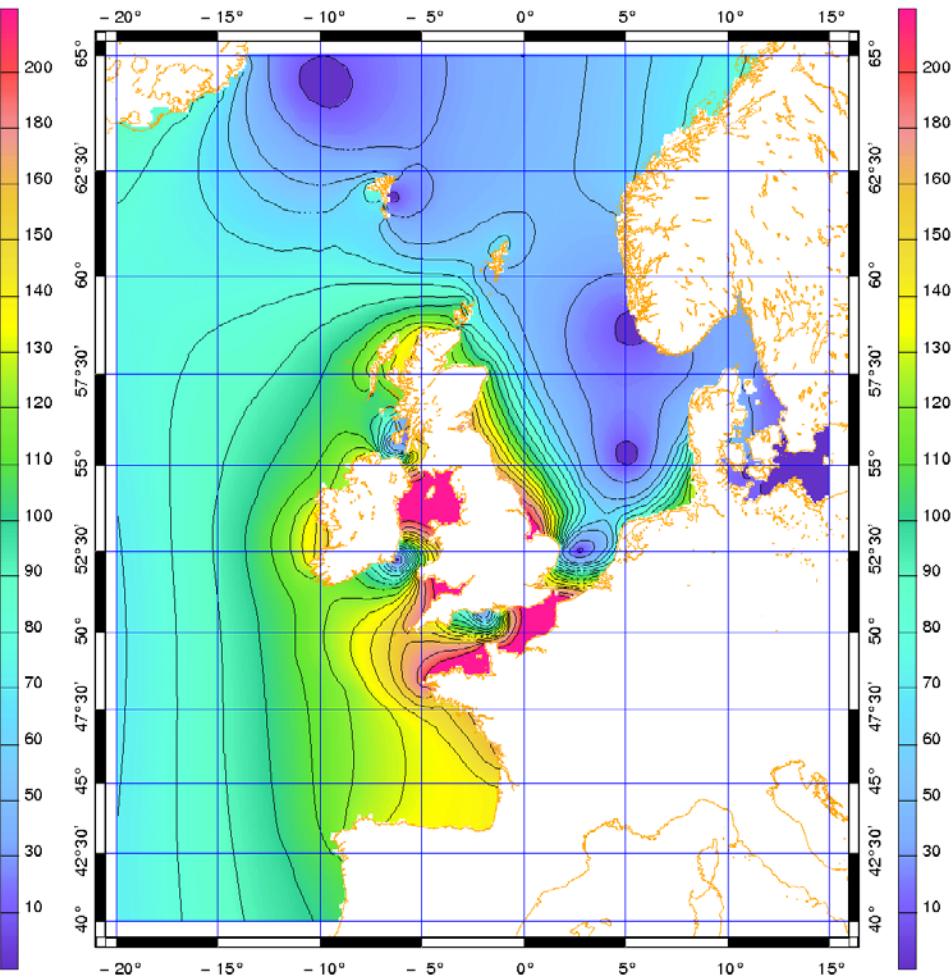


Velocity cells

# Pressure gradient issue : impact on M2 tide simulation



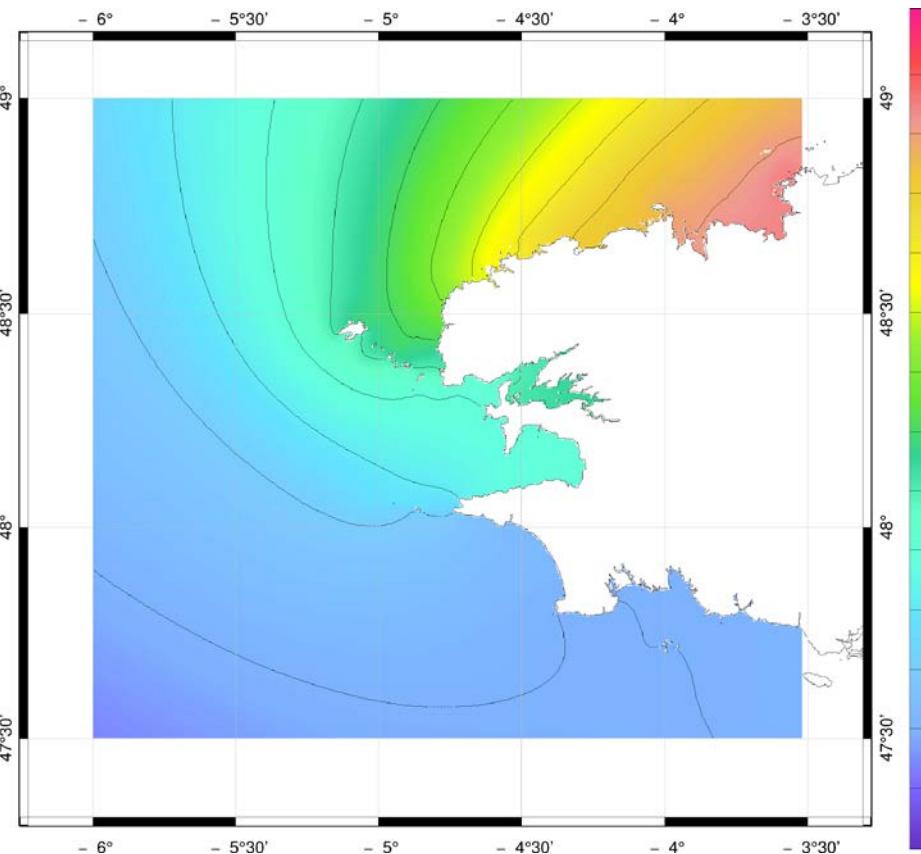
M2 elevation amplitude,  
pressure gradient scheme #1  
IFREMER MARS grid



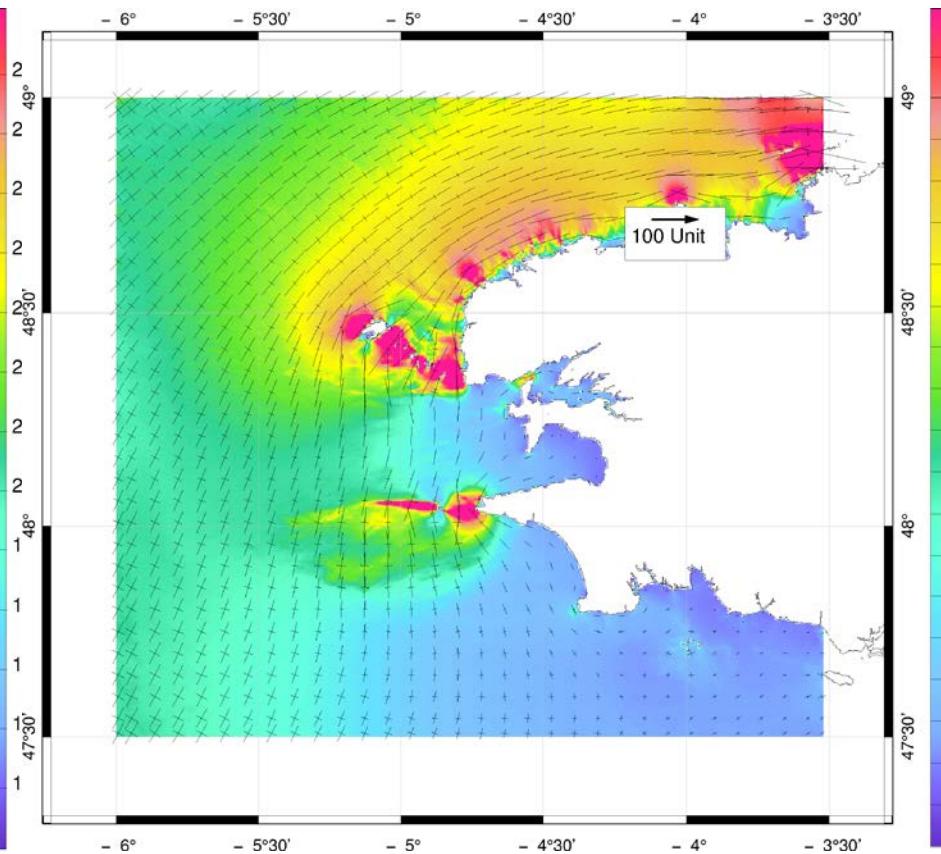
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*Coriolis appropriate handling is essential...*

# HYCOM C-grid : Ushant Sea configuration



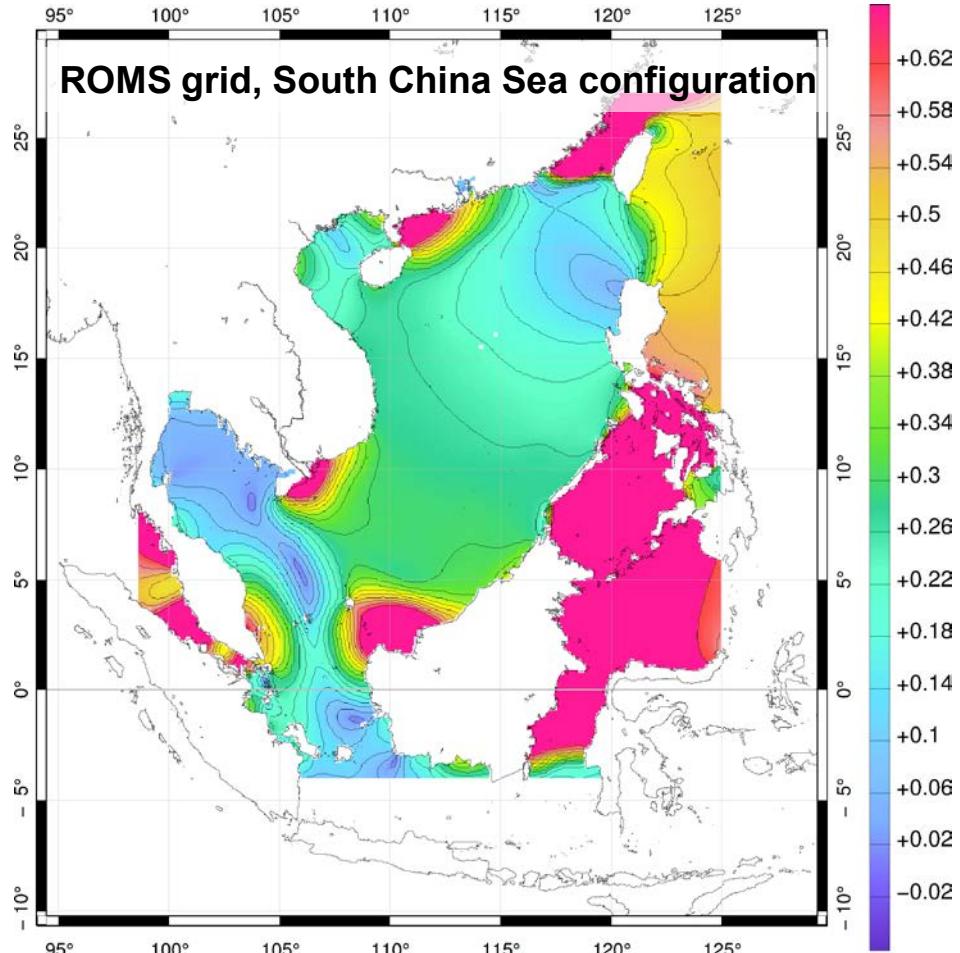
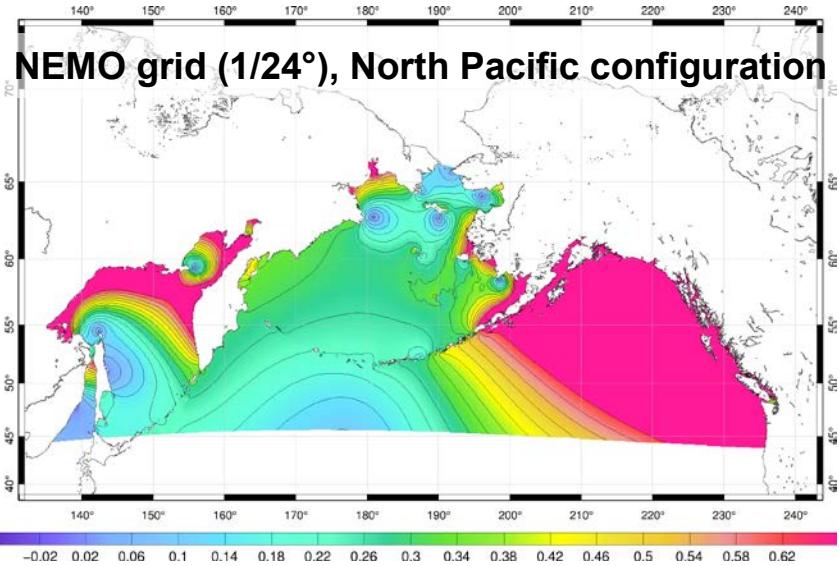
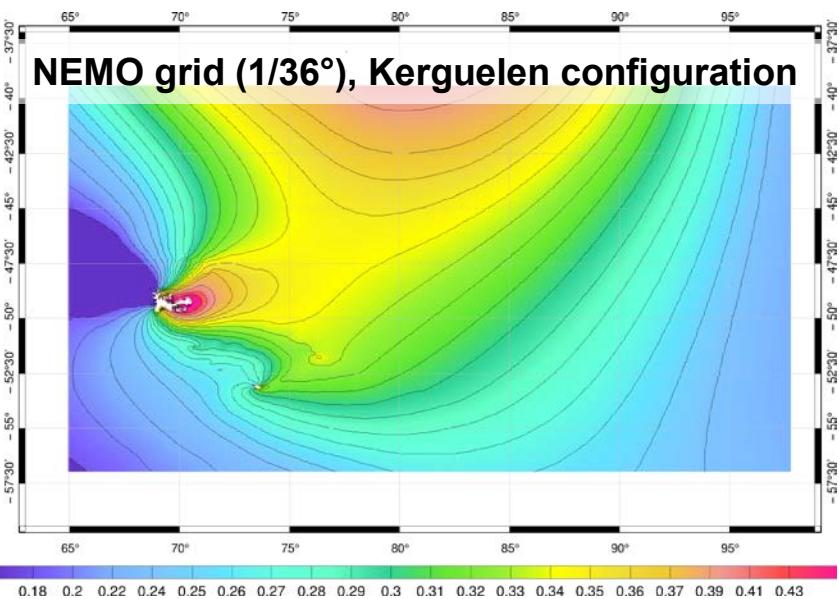
M2 elevation amplitude



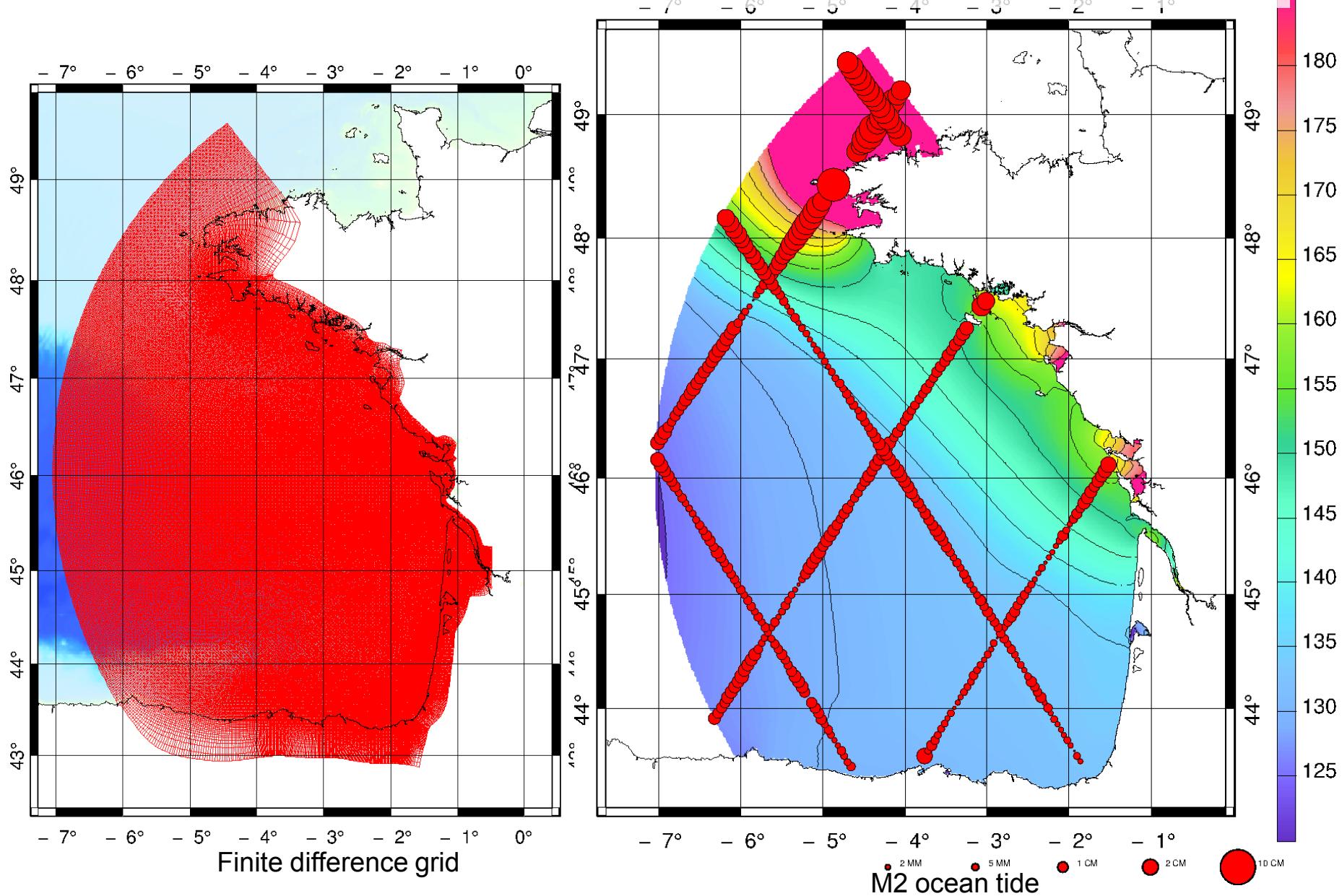
M2 tidal ellipses

Required structured model inputs: T-grid, bathymetry, T-landmask

## Some other examples



# Symphonie grid: Bay of Biscay configuration (200m upto 3 km)



- T-UGOm spectral solver works on multi-element, multi-discretisation, structured and unstructured grids
- Efficient to produce tidal solutions, from global to estuarine configuration
- Useful to downscale global ocean tidal atlases onto regional configuration (consistent currents at open boundaries)

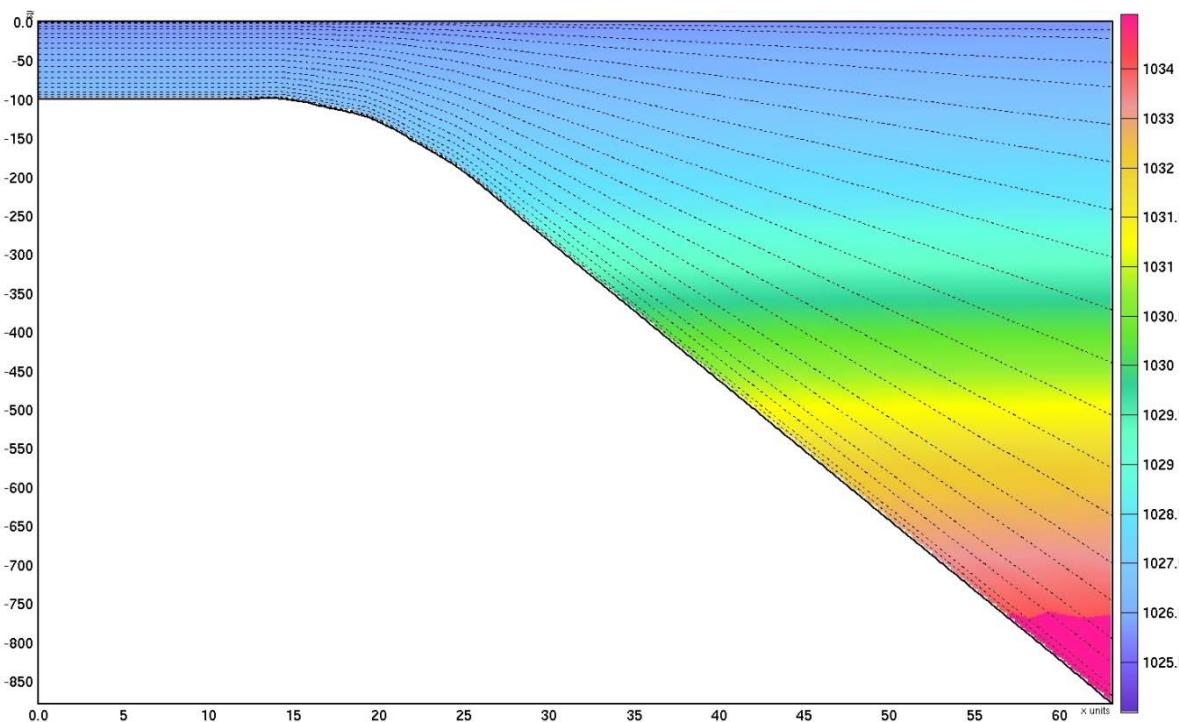


# Triangle elements

# 3D spectral modeling

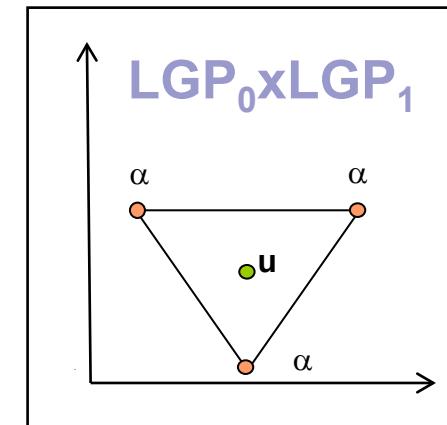
# Vertical discretisation

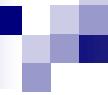
- ▶ Layer model
- ▶ Similar to generalized sigma-level discretisation
- ▶ Density is varying horizontally, but uniform along the vertical inside the 3D element



LGP<sub>0</sub>xLGP<sub>1</sub>, prismatic elements

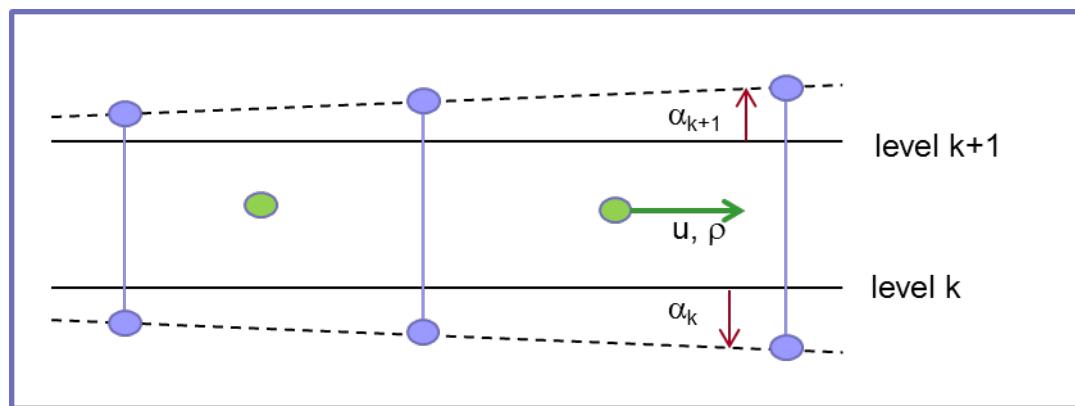
- ▶ continuous, linear level displacements
- ▶ discontinuous, uniform velocities





# Spectral 3D equations, basis

- ▶ Navier-Stokes equations vertically integrated inside layers (similar to generalized sigma-level equations)
- ▶ Impermeable layers (no vertical fluxes)
- ▶ No horizontal diffusion, horizontal advection in sub-harmonic forcing
- ▶ Unknowns are 3D currents and level displacements



# Spectral 3D equations

## ► Frequency-domain equations

1 : level impermeability condition

$$w = \varpi + \mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla_H s + \frac{\partial s}{\partial t} = \mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla_H s + \frac{\partial s}{\partial t}$$

$\mathbf{u}$  : 3D velocity

$\mathbf{v}$  : horizontal velocity (2D)

$\mathbf{V}$  : horizontal transport

$w$  : vertical velocity

$h$  : mean depth

$s$  : layer interface position (immersion)

$\alpha$  : layer interface (level) displacement

$\Delta s$  : layer thickness

$\bar{s}$  : mean layer thickness

$\Delta \alpha$  : layer thickness change

$\varpi$  : omega velocity

$\omega$  : tidal pulsation

2: layer-integrated mass conservation +1

$$j\omega \Delta \alpha + \nabla \cdot \bar{\Delta s} \mathbf{v} = j\omega \Delta \alpha + \nabla \cdot \mathbf{V} = 0$$

3: layer-integrated momentum equation

$$j\omega \mathbf{V} + \mathbf{f} \times \mathbf{V} = -\frac{1}{\rho} \int_{s_0}^{s_1} \nabla_H p + g \bar{\Delta s} \nabla (\Pi - \delta) + \left[ \kappa_v \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}}{\partial z} \right]_{s_0}^{s_1}$$

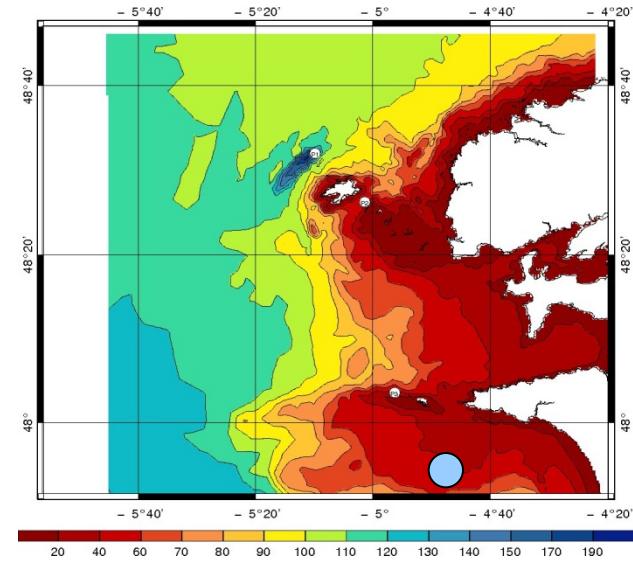
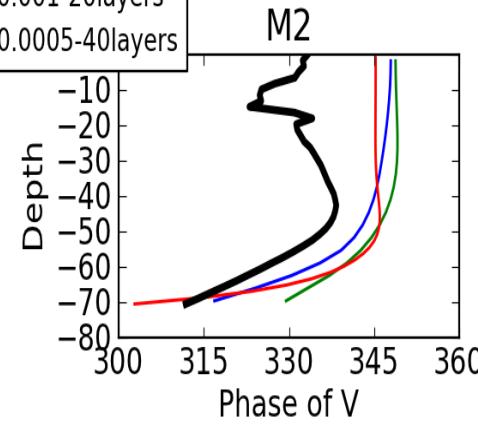
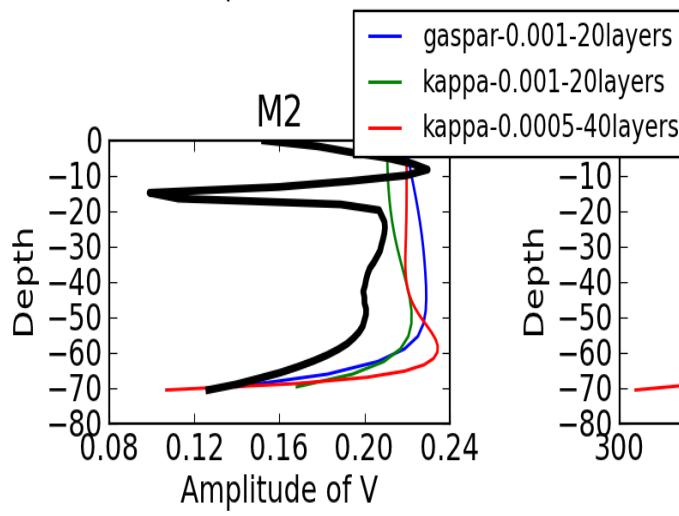
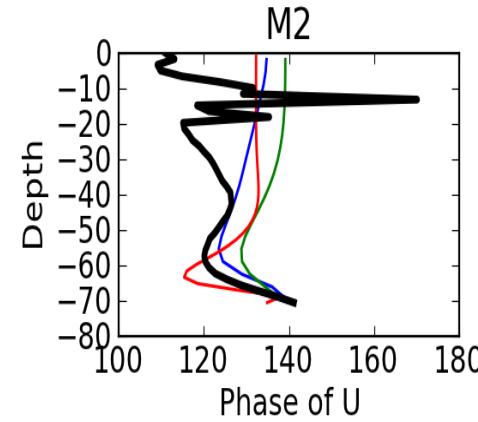
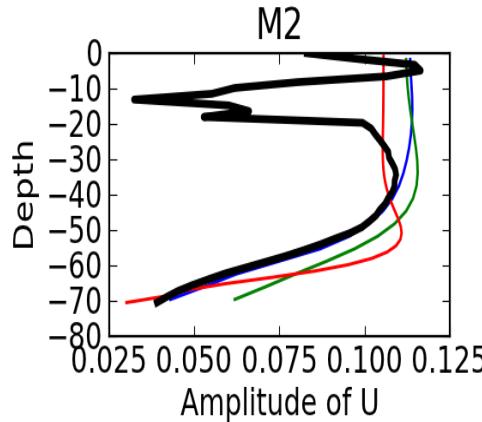
4: bottom friction (vertical diffusion BC)

$$\kappa_v \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}}{\partial z}_{bottom} = -C_D \|\mathbf{v}\| \mathbf{v}_{bottom}$$

## ► Wave equation

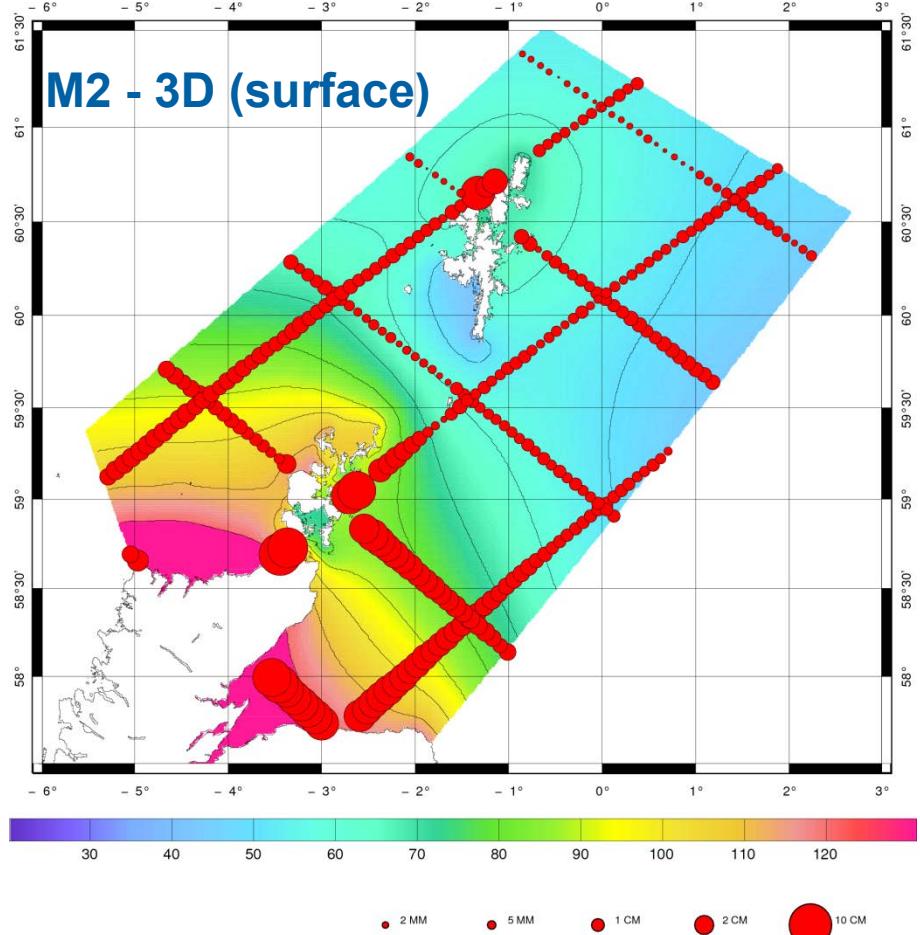
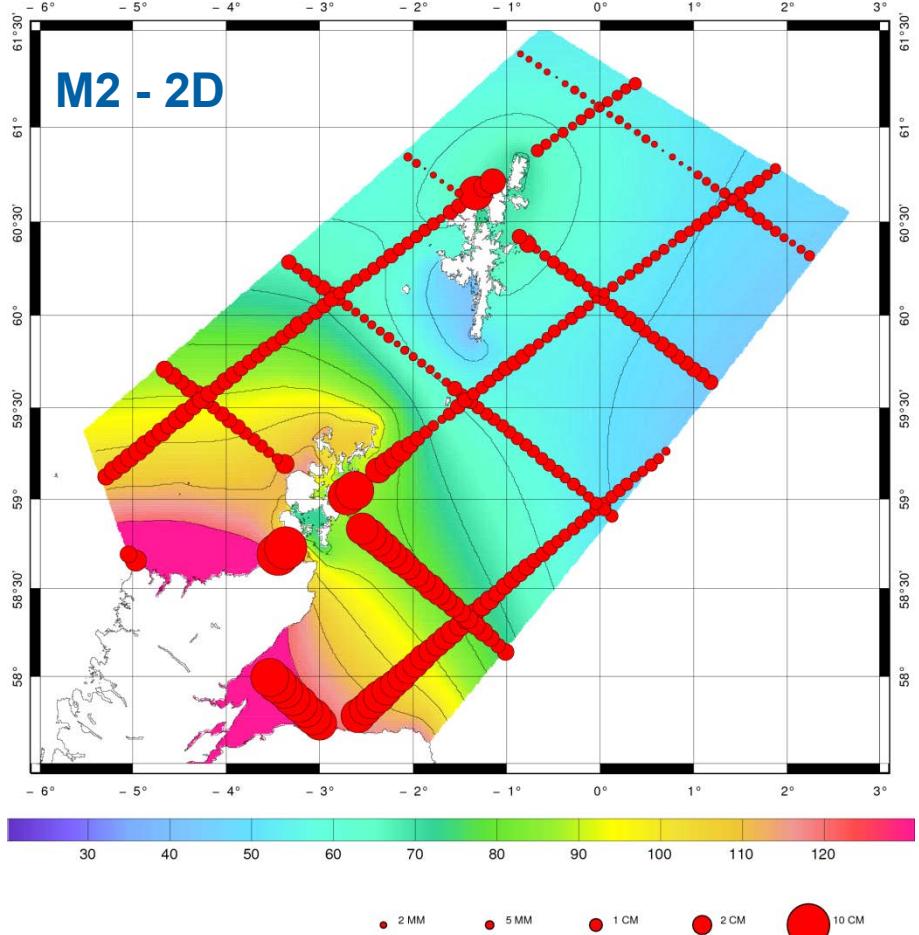
- Wave equation formed by substituting Eq. 3 in Eq. 2
- Turbulence (and vertical diffusion) and non-linear terms solved by iterations

# 3D barotropic turbulent scheme experiment



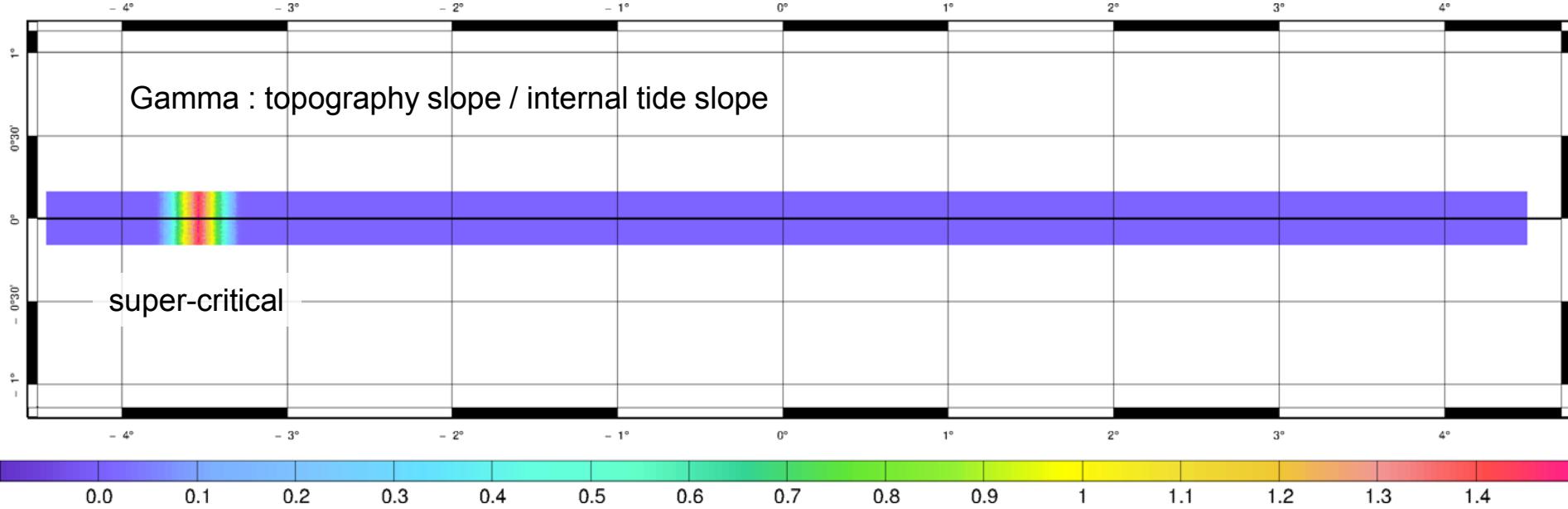
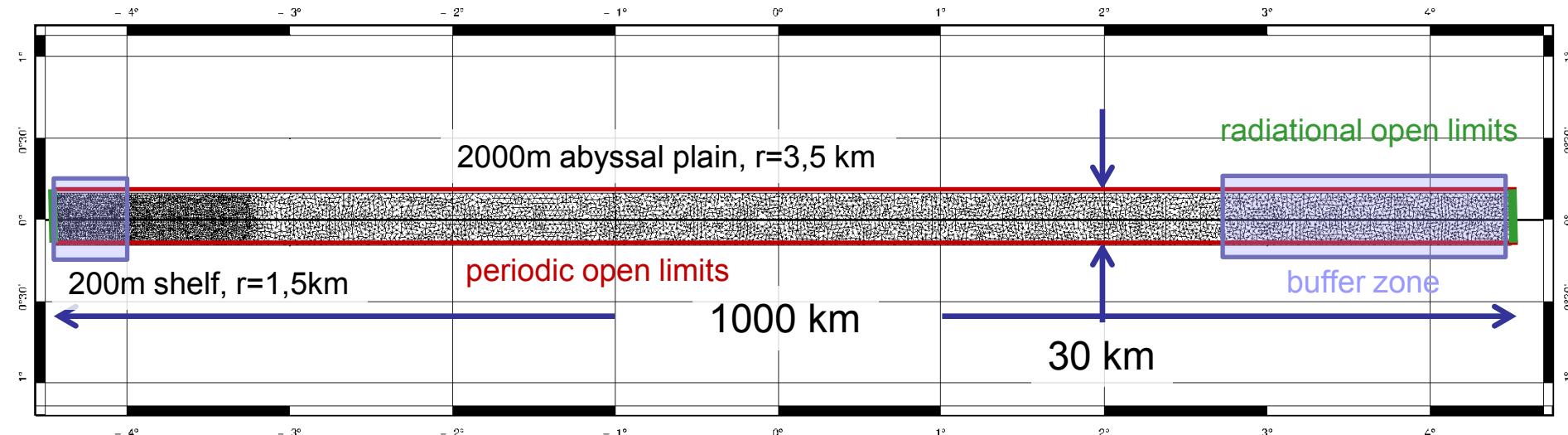
- . Low resolution with high Kv can perform better than high resolution.
- . The addition of a turbulent scheme (non constant Kv) can be highly beneficial in some cases.

# 3D barotropic experiment



Vector difference (cm)	M2 - 2D	M2 - 3D (surface)	M2 - FES2012 (2D)
Tide gauges	3.6	3.4	3.6
Altimetry	2.1	2.0	2.5

# Periodic channel test case: constant N=3.e-03, f=0



# Spectral 3D baroclinic boundary conditions

## ► Perfectly Matched Layers (PML):

- Absorbing buffer zone (reflectionless under certain conditions)
- Tricky to implement (barotropic forcing issue), in progress

## ► Sommerfeld radiative condition:

- Effective for mono-chromatic waves
- Choice : address 1<sup>st</sup> baroclinic mode
- In consequence, vertical diffusivity is smoothly but strongly increased in a boundary buffer zone to minimize higher modes

$$\frac{\partial \eta'}{\partial t} + c \nabla_H \eta' \cdot \mathbf{n} = -j\omega \eta' + c \nabla_H \eta' \cdot \mathbf{n} = 0$$

radiative condition (at each level), variational solver

$\mathbf{n}$  : outward normal vector

$s$  : layer interface position (immersion)

$h$  : mean depth

$\eta$  : level (layer interface) displacement

$\eta_b = \frac{s+h}{h} \eta_{surface}$  : barotropic level displacement

$\eta' = \eta - \eta_b$  : baroclinic level displacement

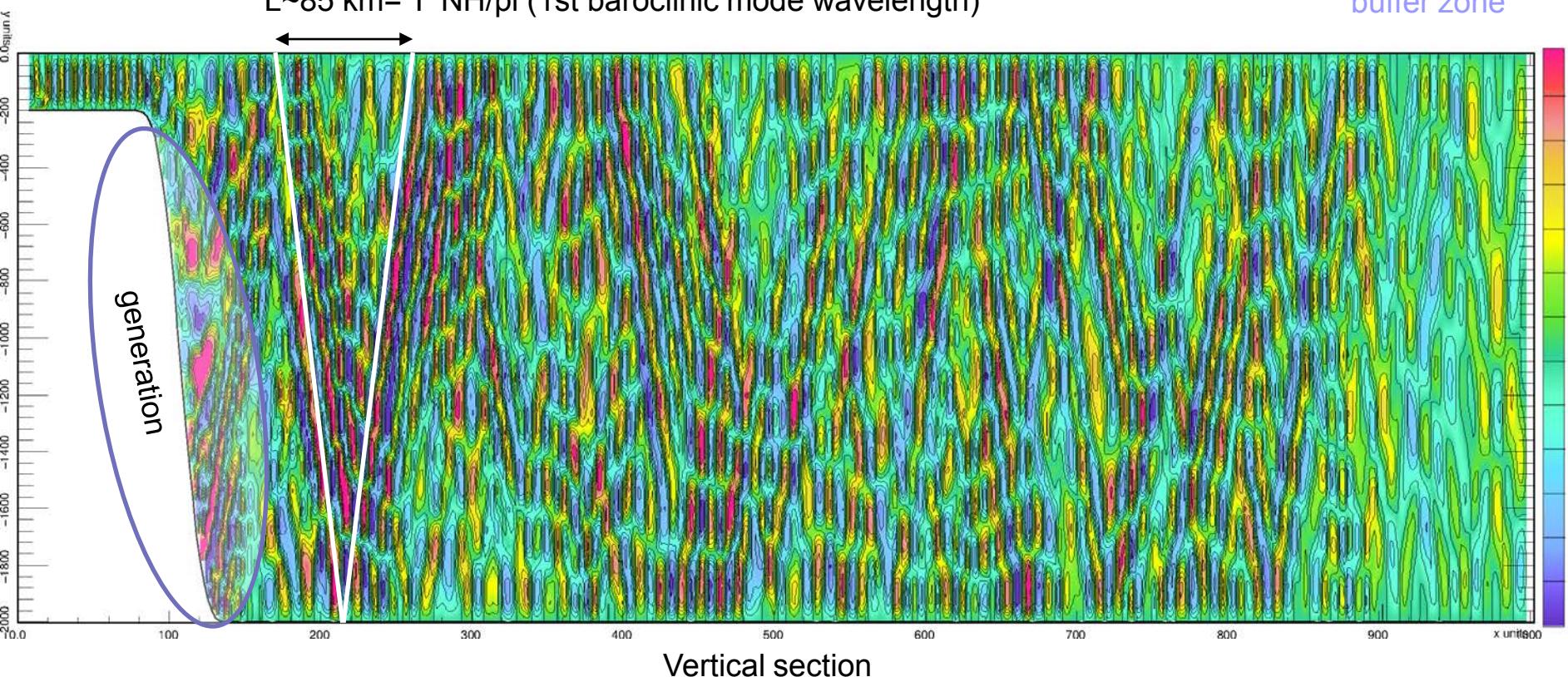
$c$  : 1st baroclinic mode celerity

$\omega$  : tidal pulsation

# Instantaneous level displacement ( $t=0$ )

$L \sim 85 \text{ km} = T^* \text{NH}/\pi$  (1st baroclinic mode wavelength)

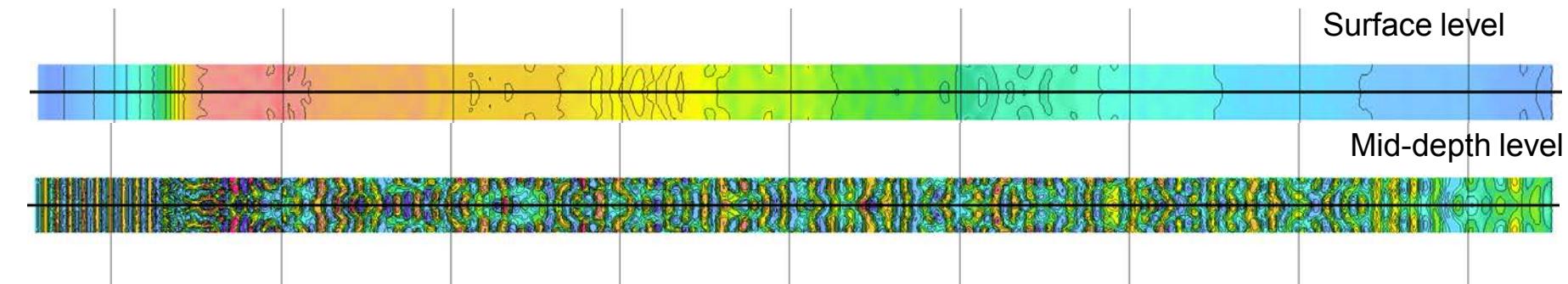
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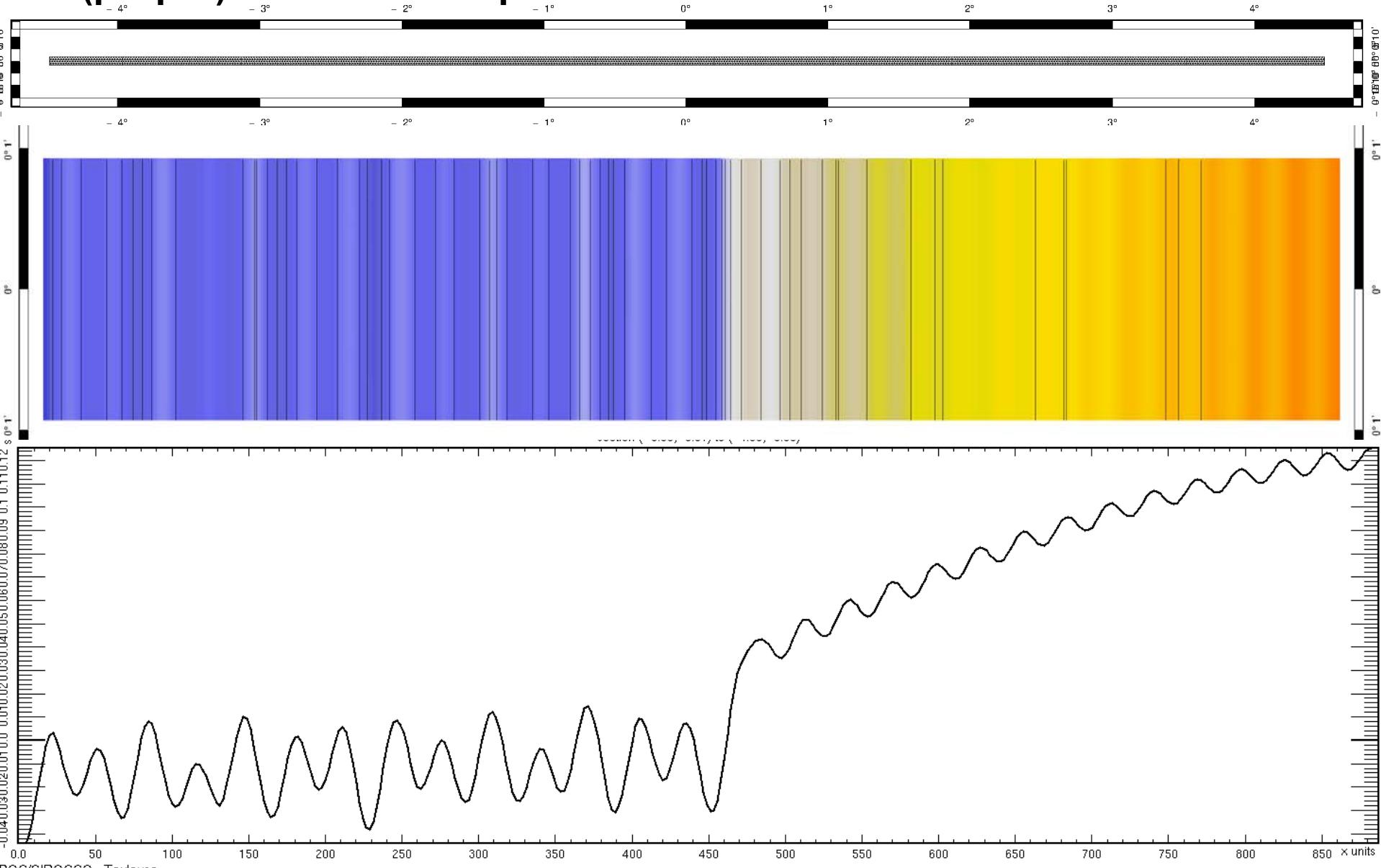
Vertical section

Surface level

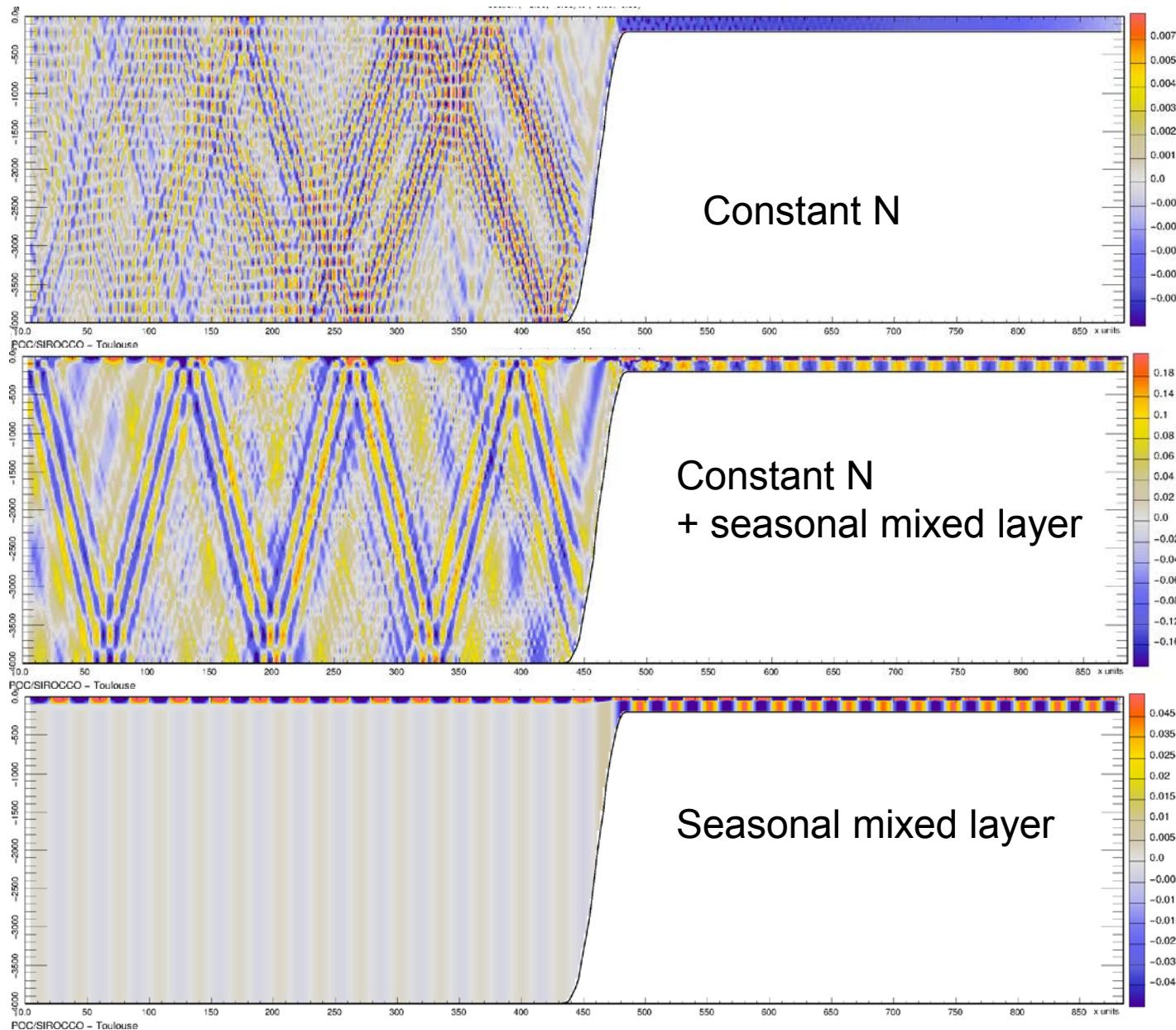
Mid-depth level



# (proper) Plane wave experiment



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# Analytical solutions (2D and separated-modes 3D)

Tidal linearised, flat-bottom equations

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} - fv = -g \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial x} - ru$$

$$\frac{\partial v}{\partial t} + fu = -g \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial y} - rv$$

$$\frac{\partial \eta}{\partial t} = -H \left( \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \right)$$

Tidal frequency-domain (“spectral”) equations

$$(-i\omega + r)\mathbf{u} + 2\vec{\Omega} \times \mathbf{u} = -g\nabla \eta$$

$$\frac{\partial \eta}{\partial t} + H\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} = -i\omega \eta + H\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} = 0$$

Dispersion relation:

$$\boldsymbol{\Omega}' = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \Omega \sin \varphi \end{bmatrix} \quad 2\boldsymbol{\Omega}' \times \mathbf{u} = 2\Omega \begin{bmatrix} -v \sin \varphi \\ u \sin \varphi \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (-i\omega + r)^2 + f^2 = \delta$$
$$c^2 = gH$$

$$-\frac{c^2}{\delta} \left[ (-i\omega + r) \nabla \cdot \nabla \eta + \frac{2f}{\delta} \nabla f \cdot ((-i\omega + r) \nabla \eta + 2\vec{\Omega}' \times \nabla \eta) \right] = i\omega \eta$$

# Let's try pretty simple

- $f$  taken as constant
- no friction

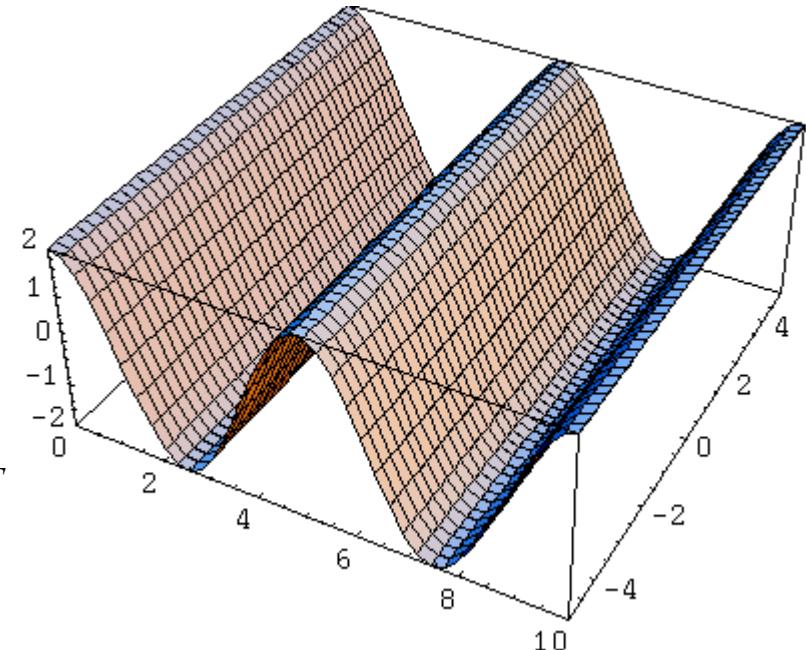
Dispersion relation reduces to:

$$\frac{c^2}{f^2 - \omega^2} \nabla \cdot \nabla \eta = \eta$$

Plane waves:  $\eta(x, y, t) = \eta e^{i(k_x x + k_y y - \omega t)}$   $\rightarrow \nabla \cdot \nabla \eta = -(k_x^2 + k_y^2) \eta = -k_H^2 \eta$

$$k_H = \frac{1}{c} \sqrt{\omega^2 - f^2} \quad \lambda = \frac{2\pi}{k_H} = \frac{\omega}{\sqrt{\omega^2 - f^2}} c T$$

- Wavelength increase with latitude, infinite at critical latitude
- No solution above critical latitude
- 1D wavelength at low latitudes  $k_H = \frac{\omega}{c}$   $\lambda = cT = \sqrt{gH}T$
- Not suitable to describe notable structures such as amphidromic points



# Let's try harder

- $f$  taken as constant
- no friction

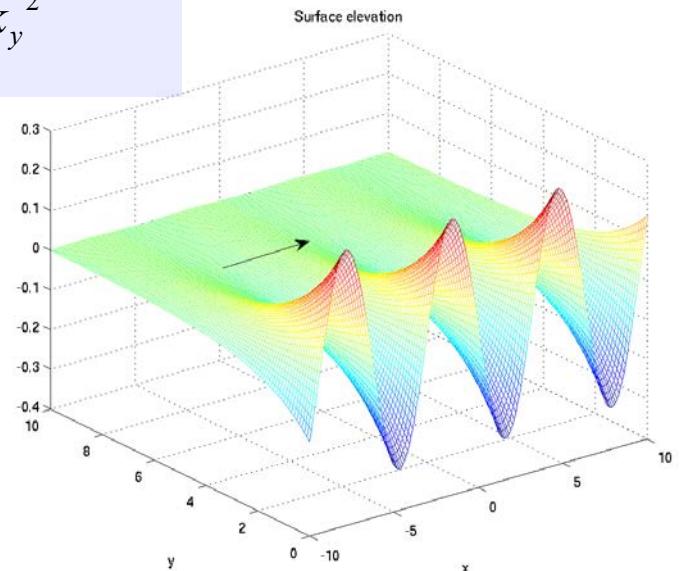
Dispersion relation reduces to:

$$\frac{c^2}{f^2 - \omega^2} \nabla \cdot \nabla \eta = \eta$$

Kelvin waves:  $\eta(x, y, t) = \eta e^{-k_y y + i(k_x x - \omega t)}$   $\rightarrow \nabla \cdot \nabla \eta = -(k_x^2 - k_y^2) \eta$

$$k_H = k_x = \frac{1}{c} \sqrt{\omega^2 - f^2 + k_y^2} \quad \lambda = \frac{2\pi}{k_H} = \frac{\omega}{\sqrt{\omega^2 - f^2 + k_y^2}} c T$$

- Coupling between across damping scale and wavelength
- critical latitude is no more an issue
- NOT 1D wavelength at low latitudes



# Let's try even harder: amphidromic point

- ~~$f$  taken as constant~~
- no friction

Dispersion relation reduces to:

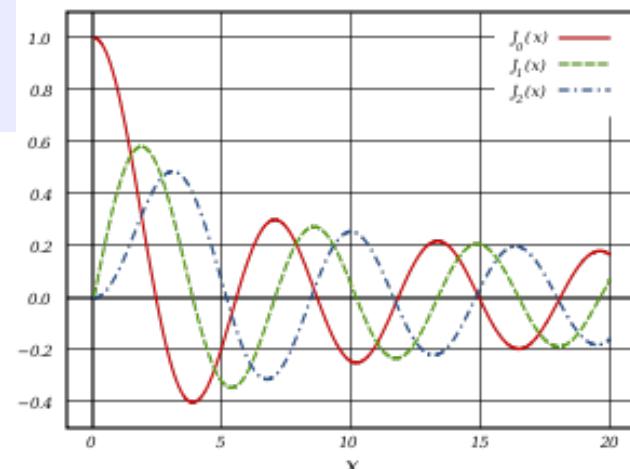
$$\frac{c^2}{f^2 - \omega^2} \nabla \cdot \nabla \eta = \eta$$

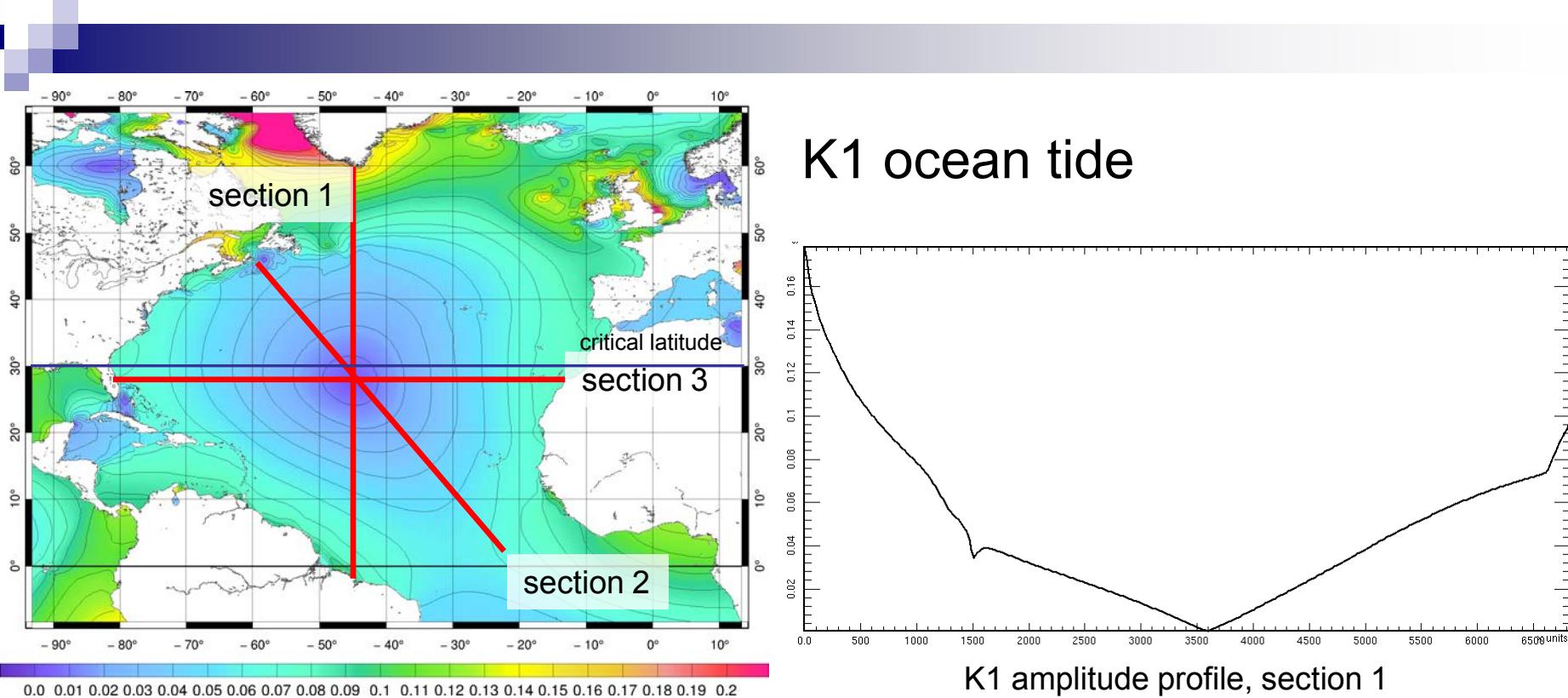
Axial solution:  $\eta = \Phi(r) e^{i(\theta - \omega t)}$   $\longrightarrow \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial}{\partial \rho} \left( \rho \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial \rho} \right) - \frac{1}{\rho^2} \eta = -\frac{(\omega^2 - f^2)}{c^2} \eta = -\kappa^2 \eta$

It is a Sturm-Liouville problem, more exactly a Bessel differential equation

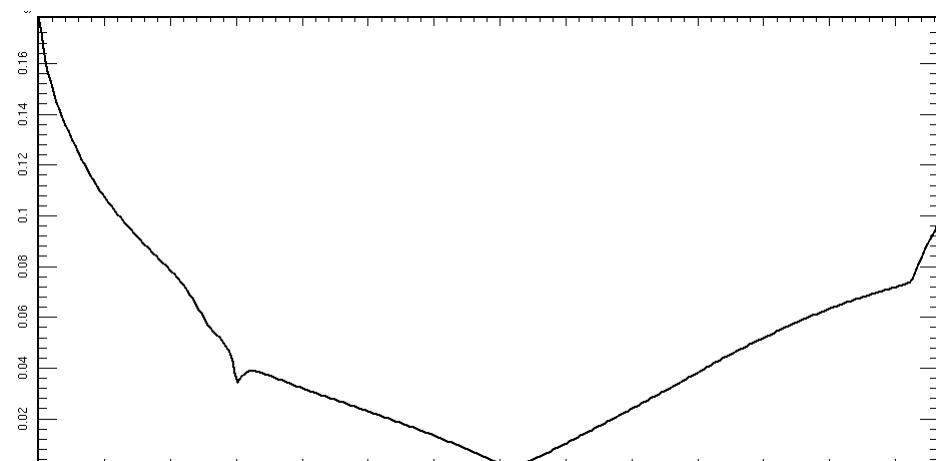
$$\eta = J_{\alpha=1}(\kappa\rho) = \sum_{m=0}^{+\infty} \frac{(-1)^m}{m! \Gamma(m + \alpha + 1)} \left( \frac{x}{2} \right)^{2m+\alpha} = \sum_{m=0}^{+\infty} \frac{(-1)^m}{m!(m+2)!} e^{(2m+\alpha)\log\left(\frac{\kappa\rho}{2}\right)}$$

- Coupling between across scale and wavelength
- critical latitude solution  $\eta = \eta_0 \frac{\rho}{\rho_0} e^{i(k_\theta \theta - \omega t)} = \eta_0 \frac{\rho}{\rho_0} e^{i(\theta - \omega t)}$

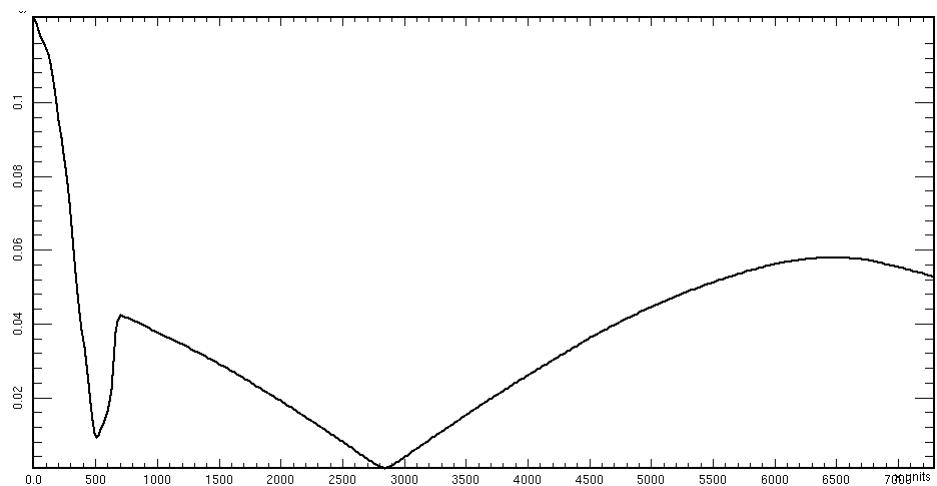




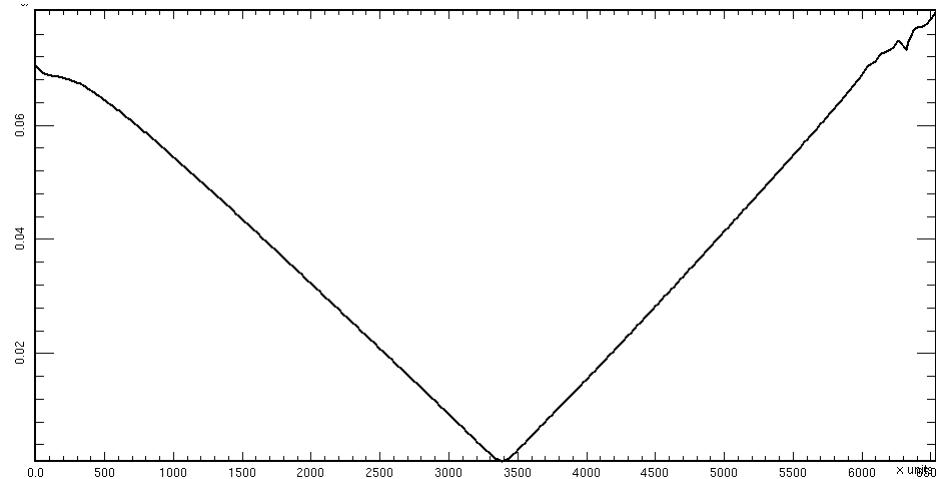
## K1 ocean tide



### K1 amplitude profile, section 1



### K1 amplitude profile, section 2



### K1 amplitude profile, section 3

- How much do we know about internal tides:
  - Temporal variability
  - Horizontal scales (dispersion relation)
  - Is horizontal-vertical mode separation approach robust enough
  - Are higher modes predictable
  - Dissipation processes
- More analytical work needed (i.e. not only plane waves)
- How/where can we setup realistic configurations for modelling
  - Open boundary condition issues
  - Validation

# Summary

- Frequency-domain tidal dynamics solver is nested inside T-UGOm time-sequential solver
- Allows consistent downscaling for structured and unstructured models/configurations
- It solves for : 2D shallow-water, 2D + 1DV, 3D barotropic (shelf seas) and 3D baroclinic (internal tides)
- Accommodate different discretisation/element (generic coding)
- Frequency-domain data assimilation friendly
- Efficient for model parameters exploration
  - cheap
  - accurate
- On-going development (MPI) to address large domain 2D/3D simulations ( $10^{e+8}$  dof)

*Thank you for attention*