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# Adding Rivers

If you want to include rivers in your simulation domain, there are several variables to define as:

- the number of rivers: **Nsrc**
- the position of the rivers on the model grid: **Isrc** and **Jsrc**
- the zonal or meridional axis of the river flow: **Dsrc**
- **if flow (and concentration) is constant**, the flow rate of the river (in m<sup>3</sup>/s): **Qbar** (positive or negative)
- **if flow (and concentration) is variable, and read from a netCDF file**, the direction of the flow **qbardir** :
  - 1 for west-east / south-north
  - -1 for east-west / north-south
- the type of tracer advected by the river: **Lsrc**
- the value/concentration: **Tsrc**

## 1. Constant flow and concentration

For this you need to define the cpp-keys in `cppdefs.h`

```
#define PSOURCE
```

And re-compile.

Then in the `croco.in` file

```
psource:  Nsrc  Isrc  Jsrc  Dsrc  Qbar [m3/s]  Lsrc  Tsrc
          2
           3   54   1   200.    T T    20. 15.
           3   40   0   200.    T T    20. 15.
```

where `Nsrc=2` is the number of rivers processed, then each line describes a river. Let's describe the parameter for river #1:

- `lsrc=3, Jsrc=54` are the `i, j` indices where the river is positioned
- `Dsrc=1` indicates the orientation (here meridional => along `V` direction)
- `200` is the runoff flow value in `m3/s`, oriented to the east
- `TT` are true/false indications for reading or not the following variables (here temperature and salinity)
- `20` and `15` are respectively the temperature and salinity of the river. You can edit these parameters.

### ⚠ Warning

The sources points must be placed on `U` or `V` points on the `C`-grid and not on `rho`-points

You can then run the model:

```
qsub job_croco_mpi.pbs
```

## 2. Variable flow read in a netCDF file and constant concentration

Instead of using a constant flow, you can use variable flow. For that you need read it from a netcdf file. First define the dedicated `cpp-key` in `cppdefs.h`

```
#define PSOURCE_NCFILE
```

And re-compile the model.

Then you also need to prepare the netcdf river runoff input file.

For that, you can use in `CROCO_TOOLS` `make_runoff` (Rivers/make\_runoff.m) which detect the main rivers located in your domain (from `RUNOFF_DAI` runoff climatology).

### ⚠ Note

`RUNOFF_DAI` is a global monthly runoff climatology containing the 925 first rivers over the world, from *Dai and Trenberth, 2000*

After asking you some specifications for each detected river in your domain, for the selected rivers:

- It will compute the right location on the croco\_grid regarding the direction and orientation you defined
- It will create the river forcing netCDF file croco\_runoff.nc containing the various river flow time series.

To do so, in CROCO\_TOOLS, edit `make_runoff.m` and define the following flags:

```
%% Choose the monthly runoff forcing time and cycle in days

clim_run=1

% - times and cycles for runoff conditions:
% - clim_run = 1 % climato forcing experiments with climato calendar
%   qbar_time=[15:30:365];
%   qbar_cycle=360;
% - clim_run = 0 % interannual forcing experiments with real calendar
%   qbar_time=[15.2188:30.4375:350.0313];
%   qbar_cycle=365.25;
```

```
psource_ncfile_ts=0;

% - psource_ncfile_ts = 0 => Constant analytical runoff tracers concentration
no processing
%   It reads analytical values in croco.in
%   or use default value defined in
%   analytical.F
```

For the BENGUELA test case, you will have 2 rivers detected, Orange and Doring. We recommend to define them as zonal (0) and oriented from east to west (-1). It will give you the lines to enter in the croco.in file in the psource\_ncfile section.

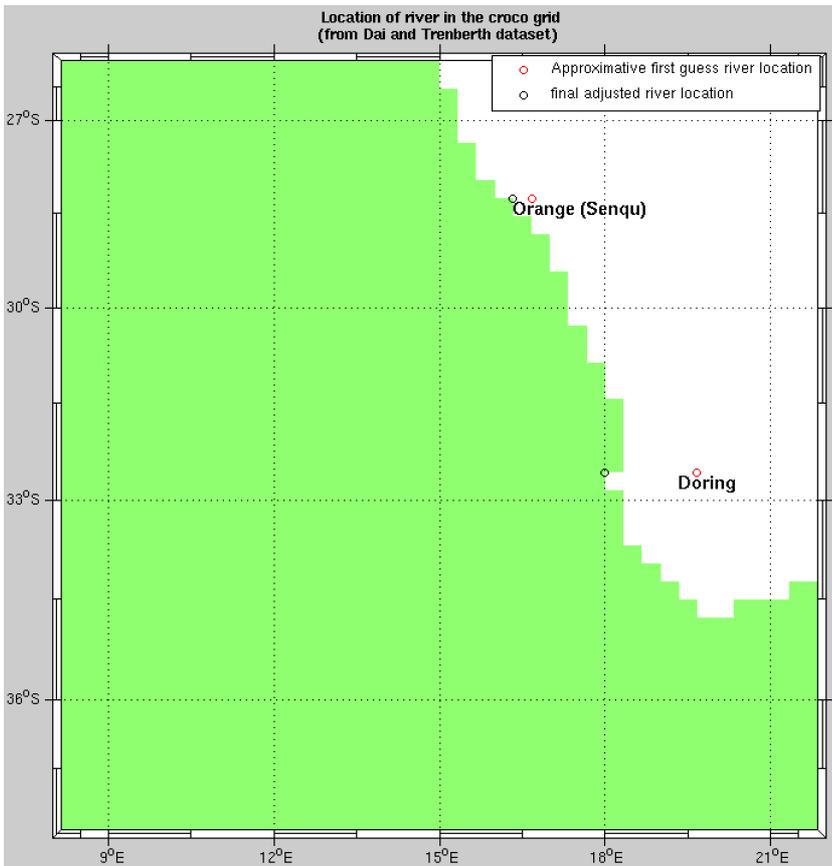
```
psource_ncfile:  Nsrc  Isrc  Jsrc  Dsrc  qbardir  Lsrc  Tsrc  runoff file name
                  CROCO_FILES/croco_runoff.nc
                2
                  25  34  0  -1  30*T  20  15
                  31  19  0  -1  30*T  20  15
```

where Nsrc=2 is the number of rivers, then each line describe a river. Let's describe the parameter for the river #1

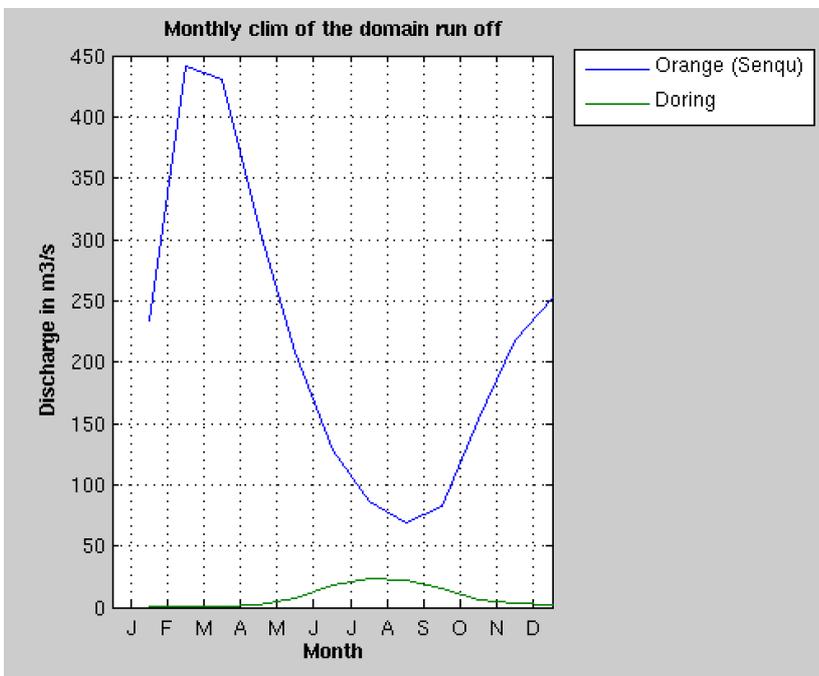
- $l_{sr}=25$ ,  $J_{src}=34$  are the  $i, j$  indices where the river is positioned
- $D_{src}=0$  indicates the orientation (here zonal)
- $qsbdir=-1$  indicates the direction (here towards the west)
- $L_{strc}=30 \times T$  are true/false flags for reading or not the following variables (here temperature and salinity)
- $T_{src}=20$   $15$  are respectively the temperature and salinity of the river.

You can edit these parameters.

Temperature and salinity can also be variable and read from a netCDF file, it is described in the next section.



*First and final guess rivers positions*



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### 3. Variable flow and variable concentration from a netCDF file

To run CROCO with a variable concentration of river tracers, you need to define the following cpp-key in cppdefs.h

```
#define PSOURCE_NCFILE_TS
```

You also need to prepare your netcdf input file. Using the CROCO\_TOOLS: edit

`make_runoff.m` and change the following flags:

```
psource_ncfile_ts=1;

if psource_ncfile_ts
    psource_ncfile_ts_auto=1 ;
    psource_ncfile_ts_manual=0;
end

%      - pource_ncfile_ts = 1 => Variable runoff tracers
%                                concentration processing is activated.
%
%      In this case, either choose:
%      - psource_ts_auto : auto definition
%                            using the nearest point in the climatology
%                            file croco_clm.nc to fill the tracer
%                            concentration time serie in croco_runoff.nc
%
%      - psource_ts_manual : manually definition the
%                            variable tracer concentration to fill
%                            the tracer concentration time serie in
%                            croco_runoff.nc
```

After asking you some specifications of each detected river in your domain, for the selected rivers, in addition to river flow as in previous section, it will also put the tracers concentration (temp,salt, no3, et ...) time series into the river forcing netCDF file croco\_runoff.nc

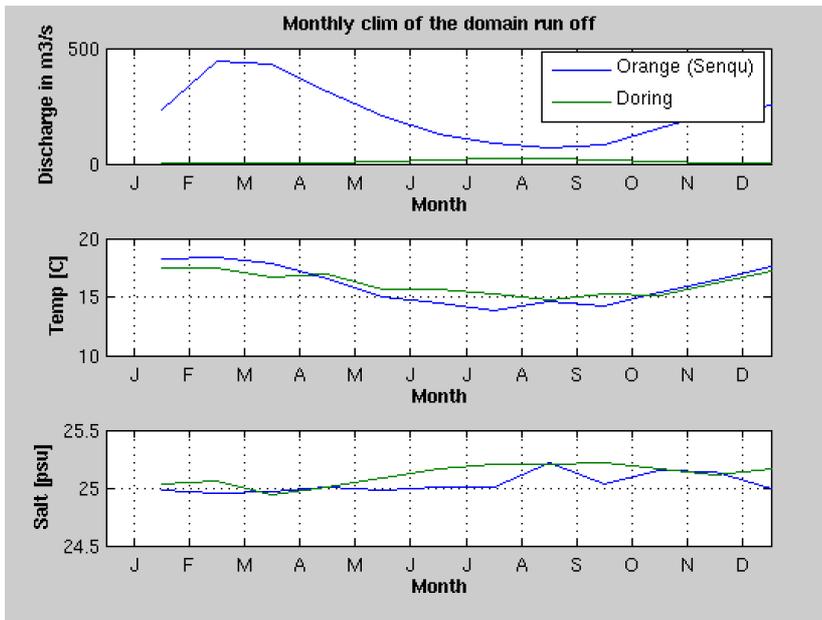
```

psource_ncfile:  Nsrc  Isrc  Jsrc  Dsrc  qbardir  Lsrc  Tsrc  runoff file name
                  CROCO_FILES/croco_runoff.nc
                2
                  25  34  0  -1  30*T  16.0387  25.0368
                  30  19  0  -1  30*T  16.1390  25.1136
    
```

You also can edit these parameters.

**Warning**

The Tsrc value reported in croco.in are the annual-mean tracer values, they are just for information. The real tracer concentration (Tsrc) are read in the runoff netCDF file created.



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## 4. Using a nest

The above procedure can be applied to a nested grid. For this, edit `make_runoff` and change the `gridlevel` variable to the adhoc grid level.

```
%Choose the grid level into which you ant to set up the runoffs
gridlevel=1
if ( gridlevel == 0 )
  % -> Parent / zoom #0
  grdname = [CROCO_files_dir,'croco_grd.nc'];
  rivname = [CROCO_files_dir,'croco_runoff.nc']
  clmname = [CROCO_files_dir,'croco_clm.nc']; % <- climato file for runoff
else
  % -> Child / zoom #XX
  grdname = [CROCO_files_dir,'croco_grd.nc.',num2str(gridlevel)];
  rivname = [CROCO_files_dir,'croco_runoff.nc.',num2str(gridlevel)];
  clmname = [CROCO_files_dir,'croco_clm.nc.',num2str(gridlevel)]; % <- climato file
for runoff
end
```

and run `make_runoff` again to generate

```
croco_runoff.nc.1
```

### ⓘ Note

The runoff has a default vertical profile defined in CROCO as an exponential vertical distribution of velocity. It is in `analytical.F`, subroutine `ana_psource` if you need to change it.