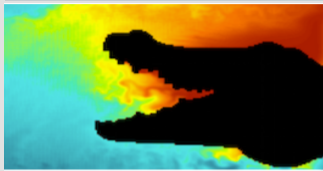


CROCO

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Time-stepping of the CROCO hydrostatic code and its impact on code structure (and on advection schemes)

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General context

Reynolds averaged primitive equations ($X = X' + \langle X \rangle$)

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{D \langle \mathbf{u}_h \rangle}{Dt} + f \mathbf{k} \times \langle \mathbf{u}_h \rangle &= \frac{\nabla_h p}{\rho_0} - \nabla_h \cdot \langle \mathbf{u}'_h \mathbf{u}'_h \rangle - \partial_z \langle w' \mathbf{u}'_h \rangle \\ \partial_z p &= -g \rho' \\ \nabla \cdot \langle \mathbf{u} \rangle &= 0 \\ \frac{D \langle T \rangle}{Dt} &= -\frac{\partial_z Q_s}{\rho_0 C_{p,o}} - \nabla_h \cdot \langle \mathbf{u}'_h T' \rangle - \partial_z \langle w' T' \rangle \\ \frac{D \langle S \rangle}{Dt} &= -\nabla_h \cdot \langle \mathbf{u}'_h S' \rangle - \partial_z \langle w' S' \rangle \\ \rho &= \rho_{\text{eos}}(\langle T \rangle, \langle S \rangle, |z|)\end{aligned}$$

The objective : effectively address the scale separation problem between

- the fast evolving dynamics related to the ocean/atmosphere difference of density and
- the slow evolving dynamics related to the internal ocean stratification.

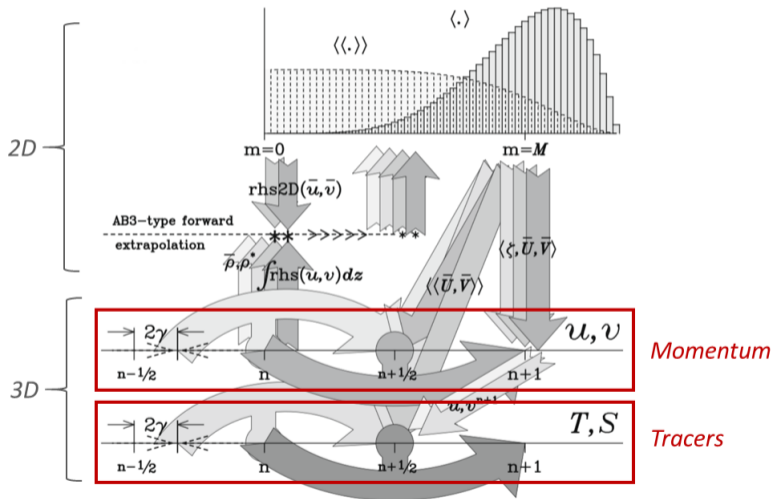
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3D momentum and tracers

3D momentum and tracers



3D momentum and tracers : time stepping

Predictor-corrector : Leapfrog (LF) with 3rd-order Adams-Moulton (AM) interpolation \Rightarrow LF-AM3

For a given quantity q

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} q^{n+1,\star} = q^{n-1} + 2\Delta t \text{ RHS } \{q^n\} \quad (\text{LF}) \\ q^{n+\frac{1}{2}} = (5/12) q^{n+1,\star} + (2/3) q^n - (1/12) q^{n-1} \quad (\text{AM3}) \\ q^{n+1} = q^n + \Delta t \text{ RHS } \left\{ q^{n+\frac{1}{2}} \right\} \quad (\text{corrector}) \end{array} \right.$$

Compact version used in the code :

$$\begin{aligned} q^{n+\frac{1}{2}} &= (1/2 - \gamma) q^{n-1} + (1/2 + \gamma) q^n + (1 - \gamma) \Delta t \text{ RHS } \{q^n\} \\ q^{n+1} &= q^n + \Delta t \text{ RHS } \left\{ q^{n+\frac{1}{2}} \right\} \end{aligned}$$

with $\gamma = 1/6$ (cf pre_step3d.F).

Impact on the structure of the code

- LFAM3 is conditionally stable for oscillation-like and friction-like processes
 - Depending on processes, use LFAM3 or an Euler step (forward or backward)

- Some terms are computed twice per time-steps
 - 3D Advection
 - Equation of state
 - Pressure gradient
 - Continuity equation
 - Coriolis term

- Some terms are computed once using an Euler step
 - Physical parameterization of vertical mixing
 - Rotated diffusion
 - Viscous terms and diffusion in general

Structure of the arrays for 3D variables

→ Need to store 3 time indices

```
real u(GLOBAL_2D_ARRAY,N,3)
real v(GLOBAL_2D_ARRAY,N,3)
real t(GLOBAL_2D_ARRAY,N,3,NT)
```

→ time indices

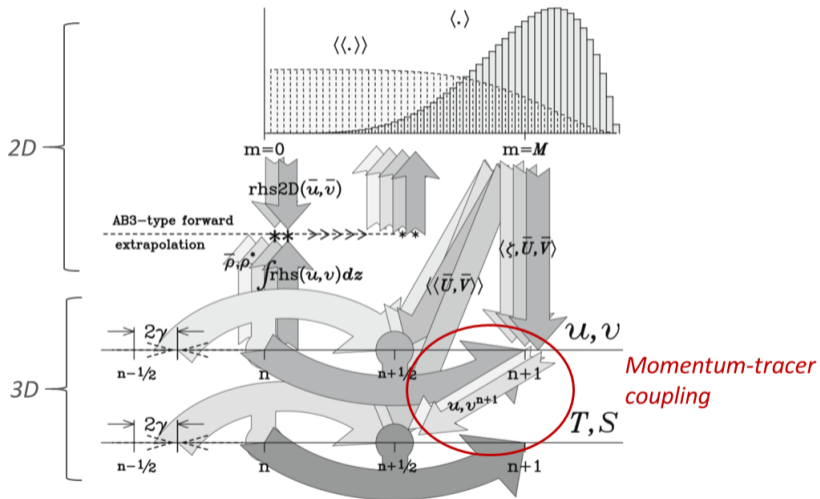
Predictor

```
nstp=1+mod(iic-ntstart,2) <-- nstp = 1 or 2
nrhs=nstp          <-- n
nnew=3             <-- n+1/2
indx=3-nstp       <-- n-1
```

Corrector

```
nrhs=3             <-- n+1/2
nnew=3-nstp       <-- n+1
```

3D momentum and tracers : momentum-tracers coupling



3D momentum and tracers : momentum-tracers coupling

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \partial_z w + \partial_x u = 0 \\ \partial_z p + \rho g = 0 \\ \partial_t u + (1/\rho_0) \partial_x p = 0 \\ \partial_t \rho + \partial_z (w \rho) = 0 \end{array} \right.$$

3D momentum and tracers : momentum-tracers coupling

Predictor

$$\begin{aligned}\partial_x p^n &= g \partial_x \left(\int_z^0 \rho^n dz \right) \rightarrow u^{n+1/2} = (1/2 - \gamma) u^{n-1} + (1/2 + \gamma) u^n + (1 - \gamma) \frac{\Delta t}{\rho_0} (\partial_x p^n) \\ w^n &= - \int_{-H}^z \partial_x u^n dz' \rightarrow \rho^{n+1/2} = (1/2 - \gamma) \rho^{n-1} + (1/2 + \gamma) \rho^n + (1 - \gamma) \Delta t \partial_z (w^n \rho^n)\end{aligned}$$

Corrector

$$\begin{aligned}\partial_x p^{n+1/2} &= g \partial_x \left(\int_z^0 \rho^{n+1/2} dz \right) \rightarrow u^{n+1} = u^n + (\Delta t / \rho_0) (\partial_x p^{n+1/2}) \\ w^{n+1/2} &= - \int_{-H}^z \partial_x \left\{ \frac{3u^{n+1/2}}{4} + \frac{u^n + u^{n+1}}{8} \right\} dz' \rightarrow \rho^{n+1} = \rho^n + \Delta t \partial_z (w^{n+1/2} \rho^{n+1/2})\end{aligned}$$

Consequences :

- 3D-momentum integrated before the tracers in the corrector
- 2 evaluations of the pressure gradient per time-step
- 3 evaluations of the continuity equation per time-step

3D momentum and tracers : momentum-tracers coupling

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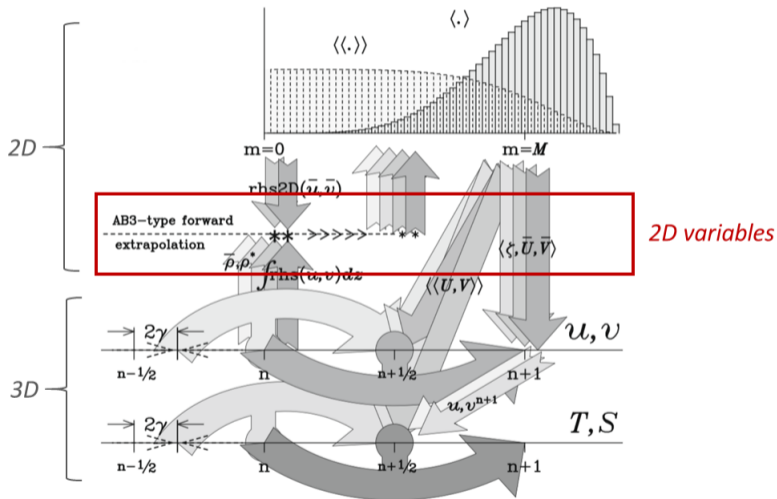
Benefits :

- increase the stability range for the integration of internal waves

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2D "barotropic" variables

2D barotropic variables



2D barotropic variables : time-stepping

3rd-order Adams-Bashforth (AB) with forward-backward feedback \Rightarrow Generalized Forward-Backward

- AB3-type extrapolation

$$\begin{aligned}D^{m+1/2} &= H + (3/2 + \beta) \zeta^m - (1/2 + 2\beta) \zeta^{m-1} + \beta \zeta^{m-2} \\ \bar{u}^{m+1/2} &= (3/2 + \beta) \bar{u}^m - (1/2 + 2\beta) \bar{u}^{m-1} + \beta \bar{u}^{m-2}\end{aligned}$$

- Integration of ζ

$$\zeta^{m+1} = \zeta^m - \Delta\tau \partial_x (D^{m+1/2} \bar{u}^{m+1/2})$$

- AM4 interpolation

$$\zeta^* = (1/2 + \gamma + 2\varepsilon) \zeta^{m+1} + (1/2 - 2\gamma - 3\varepsilon) \zeta^m + \gamma \zeta^{m-1} + \varepsilon \zeta^{m-2}$$

- Integration of \bar{u}

$$\bar{u}^{m+1} = \frac{1}{D^{m+1}} \left[D^m \bar{u}^m + \Delta\tau \text{RHS2D}(D^{m+1/2}, \bar{u}^{m+1/2}, \zeta^*) \right]$$

Structure of the arrays for barotropic variables

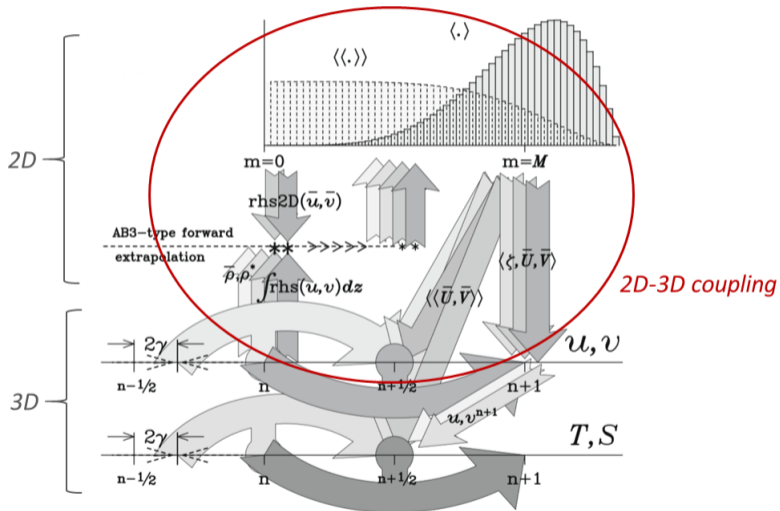
→ Need to store 4 time indices

```
real zeta(GLOBAL_2D_ARRAY,4)
real ubar(GLOBAL_2D_ARRAY,4)
real vbar(GLOBAL_2D_ARRAY,4)
```

→ Time indices

```
kold    <-- m-2
kbak    <-- m-1
kstp    <-- m
knew    <-- m+1
```

2D-3D coupling

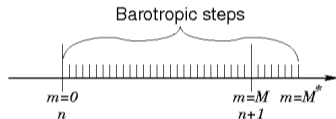


2D-3D coupling [M2_FILTER_POWER]

- Slow forcing term of the 2D by the 3D is extrapolated

$$\mathcal{F}_{3D}^{n+1/2} = \left\{ \int \text{rhs}(u, v) dz - \text{rhs2D}(\bar{u}, \bar{v}) \right\}^{n+1/2} = \text{Extrap}(\mathcal{F}_{3D}^n, \mathcal{F}_{3D}^{n-1}, \mathcal{F}_{3D}^{n-2})$$

- 2D integration from n to $n + M^* \Delta\tau$ ($M^* \leq 1.5M$)



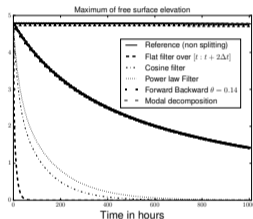
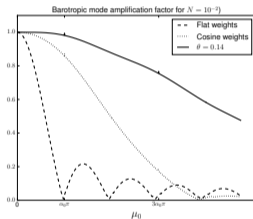
- Low-pass filtered 2D variables are needed to set and correct 3D variables
 - require a dual set of averaging filters $\langle \cdot \rangle^{n+1}$ and $\langle \langle \cdot \rangle \rangle^{n+1/2}$
 - $\langle \zeta \rangle^{n+1} \rightarrow$ update of the vertical grid
 - $\langle U \rangle^{n+1} \rightarrow$ correction of 3D velocities at time $n + 1$
 - $\langle \langle U \rangle \rangle^{n+1/2} \rightarrow$ correction of 3D velocities at time $n + 1/2$

2D-3D coupling : the alternative [M2_FILTER_NONE]

Demange J., L. Debreu, P. Marchesiello, F. Lemarié, E. Blayo (2019) : *Stability analysis of split-explicit free surface ocean models: implication of the depth-independent barotropic mode approximation.*, JCP, 398, 108875.

Motivation: Averaging filters \rightarrow excessive dissipation in the 2D

Objective: put the minimum amount of dissipation to stabilize the splitting



\Rightarrow diffusion is introduced within the barotropic time-stepping rather than averaging filters

- May require to increase $\text{NDTFAST} = \Delta t_{3D} / \Delta t_{2D}$
- Systematically more efficient than averaging filters

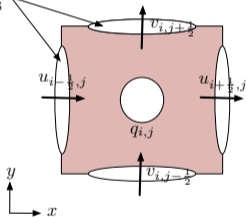
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Elements on advection schemes

Advection discretisation = interpolation problem

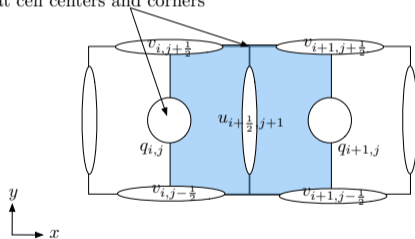
Tracers

Need to evaluate q at cell interfaces



Momentum

Need to evaluate u and v at cell centers and corners



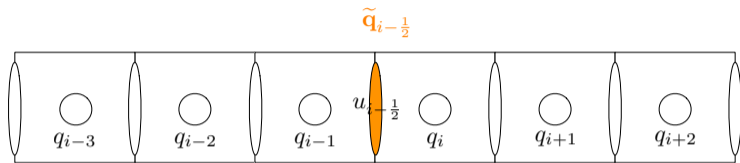
Available advection schemes

Equation	horizontal	vertical
3D momentum	UV_HADV_WENO5	UV_VADV_WENO5
	UV_HADV_C6	UV_VADV_C6
	UV_HADV_UP5	UV_VADV_UP5
	UV_HADV_C4	UV_VADV_C4
	UV_HADV_UP3	UV_VADV_SPLINES
	UV_HADV_C2	UV_VADV_C2
2D momentum	M2_HADV_UP3	-
	M2_HADV_C2	-

Available advection schemes

Equation	horizontal	vertical
Tracers	TS_HADV_WENO5 TS_HADV_C6 TS_HADV_UP5 TS_HADV_C4 TS_HADV_UP3 TS_HADV_RSUP5 TS_HADV_RSUP3	TS_VADV_WENO5 TS_VADV_AKIMA TS_VADV_SPLINES TS_VADV_C4 TS_VADV_C2 TS_VADV_FCT

Horizontal advection [HADV_C2, HADV_UP3, HADV_C4, HADV_UP5, HADV_C6]



$$\partial_x(uq)|_{x=x_i} = \frac{1}{\Delta x_i} \{u_{i+1/2}\tilde{q}_{i+1/2} - u_{i-1/2}\tilde{q}_{i-1/2}\}$$

$$\tilde{q}_{i-1/2}^{\text{C2}} = \frac{q_i + q_{i-1}}{2}$$

$$\tilde{q}_{i-1/2}^{\text{C4}} = (7/6)\tilde{q}_{i-1/2}^{\text{C2}} - (1/12)(q_{i+1} + q_{i-2})$$

$$\tilde{q}_{i-1/2}^{\text{UP3}} = \tilde{q}_{i-1/2}^{\text{C4}} + \text{sign}(1/12, u_{i-1/2})(q_{i+1} - 3q_i + 3q_{i-1} - q_{i-2})$$

$$\tilde{q}_{i-1/2}^{\text{C6}} = (8/5)\tilde{q}_{i-1/2}^{\text{C4}} - (19/60)\tilde{q}_{i-1/2}^{\text{C2}} + (1/60)(q_{i+2} + q_{i-3})$$

$$\tilde{q}_{i-1/2}^{\text{UP5}} = \tilde{q}_{i-1/2}^{\text{C6}} - \text{sign}(1/60, u_{i-1/2})(q_{i+2} - 5q_{i+1} + 10q_i - 10q_{i-1} + 5q_{i-2} - q_{i-3})$$

Horizontal advection : properties of linear schemes

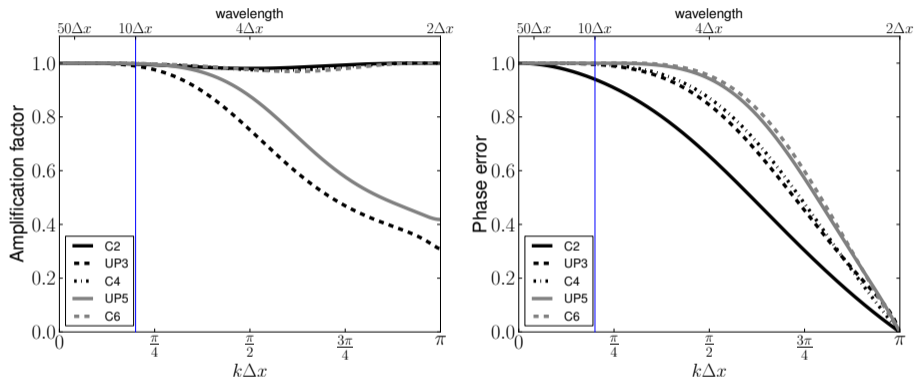


Figure: Amplification error (left) and phase error (right) for linear advection schemes of order 2 to 6.

⇒ explicit diffusion/viscosity is needed with even-ordered schemes

Rotated Split UP3 [TS_HADV_RSUP3]

$$\tilde{q}_{i-1/2}^{\text{UP3}} = \tilde{q}_{i-1/2}^{\text{C4}} + \text{sign}(1/12, u_{i-1/2})(q_{i+1} - 3q_i + 3q_{i-1} - q_{i-2})$$

Split-UP3

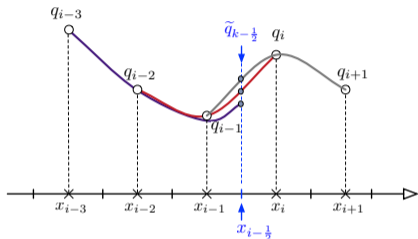
- $\tilde{q}_{i-1/2}^{\text{C4}}$ treated in the LF-AM3
- The red term is treated as an explicit diffusion (i.e. with Euler forward)

Rotated Split-UP3

- The diffusive term is rotated in the isoneutral direction
 - small slope assumption
 - non-monotonic diffusion (additional dispersive cross-terms)
 - assumes low frequency evolution of isopycnals
 - a rotation along geopotentials could be a good alternative for high-resolution applications

WENO5 Scheme (e.g. Acker et al., 2016) [TS_HADV_WENO5]

Nonlinear weighting between 3 evaluations of interfacial values



$$\tilde{q}_{k-1/2} = w_0 \tilde{q}_{k-1/2}^{(0)} + w_1 \tilde{q}_{k-1/2}^{(1)} + w_2 \tilde{q}_{k-1/2}^{(2)}$$

1. Convexity ($\sum_{j=0}^2 w_j = 1$)
2. ENO property (essentially non-oscillatory)
3. fifth-order if $q(x)$ is smooth

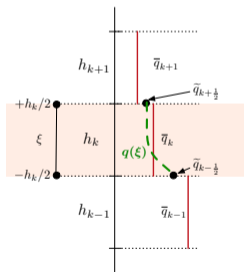
- The scheme satisfies the ENO property (*Total Variation Bounded* property)
- **Warning:** no monotonicity-preserving property !!!

⇒ Best choice for biogeochemical tracers

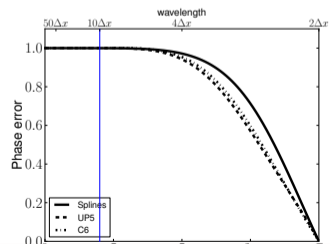
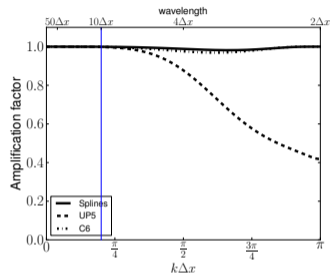
Vertical advection : spline reconstruction [TS_VADV_SPLINES, UV_VADV_SPLINES]

The flux are obtained as a solution of a tridiagonal problem

$$\begin{aligned} Hz_{k+1} \tilde{q}_{k-1/2} + 2(Hz_k + Hz_{k+1}) \tilde{q}_{k+1/2} + Hz_k \tilde{q}_{k+3/2} \\ = 3(Hz_k \bar{q}_{k+1} + Hz_{k+1} \bar{q}_k) \end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned} q(\xi) = \bar{q}_k + \frac{\bar{q}_{k+1/2} - \bar{q}_{k-1/2}}{h_k} \xi \\ + 6 \left(\frac{\bar{q}_{k+1/2} + \bar{q}_{k-1/2}}{2} - \bar{q}_k \right) \left(\frac{\xi^2}{h_k^2} - \frac{1}{12} \right) \end{aligned}$$



Vertical advection : semi-implicit formulation

[VADV_ADAPT_IMP]

Idea : split the vertical velocity Ω in an explicit and implicit contribution [Shchepetkin, 2015]

$$\Omega = \Omega^{(e)} + \Omega^{(i)}, \quad \Omega^{(e)} = \frac{\Omega}{f(\alpha_{adv}^z, \alpha_{max})}, \quad f(\alpha_{adv}^z, \alpha_{max}) = \begin{cases} 1, & \alpha_{adv}^z \leq \alpha_{max} \\ \alpha / \alpha_{max}, & \alpha_{adv}^z > \alpha_{max} \end{cases}$$

→ $\Omega^{(e)}$ integrated with an explicit scheme (with CFL α_{max})

→ $\Omega^{(i)}$ integrated with an implicit upwind Euler scheme

Configuration	Resolution	old Δt	new Δt
BENGUELA [Penven et al.]	25 km	6300 s	7140 s
OMAN [Vic et al.]	2 km	160 s	470 s

▷ Implemented only with Spline reconstruction for the explicit part

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Flow-chart of the CROCO time-stepping

pre_step3D_thread()

- `rho_eos` : computation of the density at time n

$$\rho'^n = \rho_{\text{EOS}}(T^n, S^n)$$

- `set_HUV` : computation of the volumetric fluxes (i.e. $U^n = \Delta y \Delta z^n u^n$)

$$\text{HUon}_k^n = \text{Hz}_k^n \Delta y u_k^n$$

- `omega` : computation of the vertical volumetric fluxes via the continuity equation

$$W_{k+1/2}^n = - \sum_{k'=1}^k (\text{div HUon})_{k'}^n + \frac{z_{k+1/2}^n - H}{\zeta^n - H} \sum_{k=1}^N (\text{div HUon})_k^n$$

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- **prsgrd** : Computation of the pressure gradient and add it to the 3D rhs ru

$$ru_k = \left. \frac{\partial P_k^n}{\partial x} \right|_z$$

- **rhs3d** : Computation of the rhs for 3D momentum at time n

→ Coriolis term

$$ru^n = ru^n + \text{Coriolis}$$

→ Horizontal advection

$$ru^n = ru^n + \text{2D advection}$$

→ Vertical advection

$$ru^n = ru^n + \text{vertical advection}$$

Computation of the forcing term for momentum in the barotropic mode (add the difference between the surface and bottom friction)

$$rufrc^n = \sum_{k=1}^N ru_k^n + \Delta x \Delta y (\tau_s - \tau_b)$$

- `pre_step3d` : Predictor for u, v, Hz, t

$$Hz^{n+1/2} = (1/2 + \gamma) Hz^n + (1/2 - \gamma) Hz^{n-1} - (1 - \gamma)\Delta t \cdot [\text{div}_h HUon^n + \partial_z W^n]$$

Horizontal advection for tracers

$$t^{n+1/2} = (1/2 + \gamma) Hz^n t^n + (1/2 - \gamma) Hz^{n-1} t^{n-1} - (1 - \gamma)\Delta t \cdot \text{div}_h (HUon^n t^n)$$

Vertical advection for tracers

$$t^{n+1/2} = \frac{1}{Hz^{n+1/2}} \left[t^{n+1/2} - (1 - \gamma)\Delta t \cdot \partial_z (W^n t^n) \right]$$

⇒ final value $t^{n+1/2}$

Advance u at time $n + 1/2$

$$u^{n+1/2} = \frac{1}{Hz^{n+1/2}} \left[(1/2 + \gamma) Hz^n u^n + (1/2 - \gamma) Hz^{n-1} u^{n-1} - (1 - \gamma)\Delta t \cdot (ru^n) \right]$$

⇒ temporary value of $u^{n+1/2}$ before correction by the 2D

- Apply boundary conditions for $t^{n+1/2}$ et $u^{n+1/2}$ (t3dbc,u3dbc,v3dbc)
- Initialisation of the free-surface for the barotropic mode

$$\zeta_0 \leftarrow \langle \zeta \rangle^n (= Zt_avg1)$$

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- uv3dmix : Compute lateral viscosity for $H_z^n u^n$ at time n and add the vertical integral to rufrcⁿ

step2D_thread()

Barotropic time loop

→ AB3-extrapolation at time $m + 1/2$

$$\begin{aligned} D^{m+1/2} &= (3/2 + \beta) \text{zeta}^m - (1/2 + 2\beta) \text{zeta}^{m-1} + \beta \text{zeta}^{m-2} + H && (= \text{Drhs}) \\ \bar{u}^{m+1/2} &= (3/2 + \beta) \text{ubar}^m - (1/2 + 2\beta) \text{ubar}^{m-1} + \beta \text{ubar}^{m-2} && (= \text{urhs}) \\ (\Delta y) \bar{U}^{m+1/2} &= \Delta y D^{m+1/2} \bar{u}^{m+1/2} && (\text{DUon} = \Delta y \text{Drhs urhs}) \\ \zeta^{m+1} &= \zeta^m + (\Delta\tau/\Delta y) \text{div}_h \text{DUon}^{m+1/2} && (= \text{zeta.new}) \\ D^{m+1} &= \zeta^{m+1} + H && (= \text{Dnew}) \end{aligned}$$

→ AM4-interpolation of the free-surface at time $m + 1/2$

$$\zeta^* = \alpha_0 \zeta^{m+1} + \alpha_1 \zeta^m + \alpha_2 \zeta^{m-1} + \alpha_3 \zeta^{m-2} \quad (= \text{zwrk} = \text{rzeta}; \text{rzeta2} = (\zeta^*)^2)$$

→ Boundary conditions on ζ^{m+1} (**zetabc**)

→ Time filtering ($\langle \zeta \rangle^{n+1} = \sum_m a_m \zeta^m, \langle \langle \bar{U} \rangle \rangle^{n+1/2} = \sum_m b_m \bar{U}^{m+1/2}$)

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \zeta \rangle^{n+1} &= \langle \zeta \rangle^{n+1} + a_m \zeta^{m+1} && (= \text{Zt.avg1}) \\ \langle \langle \bar{U} \rangle \rangle^{n+1/2} &= \langle \langle \bar{U} \rangle \rangle^{n+1/2} + \Delta y b_m \bar{U}^{m+1/2} && (= \text{DU.avg2}) \end{aligned}$$

→ Compute the right-hand-side $\text{rubar}^{m+1/2}$:

- Pressure gradient ($\text{rubar}^{m+1/2} = gH\partial_x\zeta^* + (g/2)\partial_x\zeta^{*2}$)
- Horizontal advection
- Coriolis term
- Viscosity (optional)
- Bottom friction

→ At the first 2D time-step : extrapolation of the forcing rufrc at time $n + 1/2$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{rufrc}^{n+1/2} &= (3/2 + \delta)(\text{rufrc}^n - \text{rubar}^n) + \delta \text{rufrc}^{n-1} - (1/2 + 2\delta) \text{rufrc}^{n-2} \\ \text{rufrc}^n &= \text{rufrc}^n - \text{rubar}^n \quad (= \text{rufrc_bak}(\text{nstp}))\end{aligned}$$

→ Finalize the computation of the barotropic momentum

$$\begin{aligned}\bar{U}^{m+1} &= \bar{U}^m + \Delta\tau (\text{rubar}^{m+1/2} + \text{rufrc}^{n+1/2}) \quad (= \text{DUnew}) \\ \bar{u}^{m+1} &= \text{DUnew}/D^{m+1} \quad (= \text{ubar}(\text{knew})) \\ \langle \bar{U} \rangle^{n+1} &= \langle \bar{U} \rangle^{n+1} + \Delta y a_m \bar{U}^{m+1} \quad (= \text{DU_avg1})\end{aligned}$$

→ Boundary conditions on \bar{u}^{m+1} ([u2dbc](#), [v2dbc](#))

End of the barotropic loop

step3D_uv_thread()

- **set_depth** : update of the grid (i.e. z_r^{n+1} , z_w^{n+1} , H_z^{n+1}) via $\langle \zeta \rangle^{n+1}$

- **set_HUV2** : Correction of $u^{n+1/2}$ to ensure that

$$\sum_{k=1}^N H_z^{n+1} \Delta y u^{n+1/2} = DU_{avg2}$$

⇒ final value of $u^{n+1/2}$

$$HU_{on}^{n+1/2} = H_z^{n+1} \Delta y u^{n+1/2}$$

- **omega** : Computation of the volumetric flux $W^{n+1/2}$ (continuity equation)
- **rho_eos** : Update the density perturbation $\rho'^{n+1/2} = \rho_{EOS}(t^{n+1/2})$
- **prsgrd** : Computation of the HPG $ru_k^{n+1/2} = \left. \frac{\partial P_k^{n+1/2}}{\partial x} \right|_z$

- **rhs3d** : Computation of the rhs $ru^{n+1/2}$ for 3D momentum equations
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- **step3d_uv1** : Corrector for u

$$u^{n+1} = u^n + \Delta t (ru^{n+1/2})$$

- **step3d_uv2** :

- Resolution of a tridiagonal system for implicit vertical viscosity
- Correction of u^{n+1} to ensure that

$$\sum_{k=1}^N \Delta y \text{Hz}^{n+1} u^{n+1} = \text{DU_avg1}$$

- Boundary conditions for u^{n+1} (**u3dbc**, **v3dbc**)
⇒ final value of u^{n+1}

- Initialisation of \bar{u} for the barotropic integration at the next time-step

$$\bar{u}_0 \leftarrow \frac{\text{DU_avg1}}{\sum_{k=1}^N \Delta y \text{Hz}_k^{n+1}}$$

- Computation of the volumetric flux centered at time $n + 1/2$

$$(\text{Hz } u)^* = \frac{3}{4} \text{HUon}^{n+1/2} + \frac{\text{Hz}^{n+1}}{8} (u^{n+1} + u^n)$$

- Correction of $(\text{Hz } u)^*$ to ensure that

$$\sum_{k=1}^N \Delta y (\text{Hz } u)^* = \text{DU}_{\text{avg}2}$$

- Update the horizontal volumetric fluxes at time $n + 1/2$

$$\text{HUon}^{n+1/2} = \Delta y (\text{Hz } u)^*$$

step3D_t_thread()

- **omega** : Compute vertical volumetric flux $W^{n+1/2}$ via the continuity equation
- **step3d_t** : Corrector for t

$$t^{n+1} = Hz^n t^n - \Delta t \operatorname{div} \left(HU_{on}^{n+1/2} t^{n+1/2} \right)$$

$$t^{n+1} = t^{n+1} - \Delta t \operatorname{div} \left(W^{n+1/2} t^{n+1/2} \right)$$

- Resolution of the tridiagonal system for the implicit vertical diffusion
- Boundary conditions for t^{n+1} (**t3dbc**)

⇒ final value of t^{n+1}

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Future evolutions of the CROCO time-stepping

Critical comments on current time-stepping

LFAM3

- significant loss of stability when using odd-ordered advection schemes
- inadequate for the implicit treatment of bottom drag
- AM3 interpolation has negative weights → no positive-definiteness
 - pb for layer thicknesses advection and wetting & drying
 - pb for biogeochemical tracers
- Existence of a computational mode which is not always efficiently damped
- Stability with lagrangian treatment of the vertical direction (remapping schemes)
- Complex interfacing with external modules

Generalized Forward-Backward

- Cold restart at each barotropic integration

Future evolutions

- Transition toward a Runge–Kutta framework
 - Absence of computational mode
 - RK + forward-backward feedbacks for internal waves
 - Easier implementation of time refinement with Agrif
 - Compatible with TVD or monotonicity-preserving advection schemes
 - Possibility to derive RK-based coupled space-time schemes for advection
- Design of an Arbitrary Lagrangian Eulerian vertical coordinate