

# Discretizations of the Shallow Water on the Sphere on Voronoi Grids

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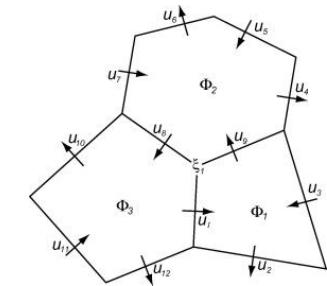
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# Key references

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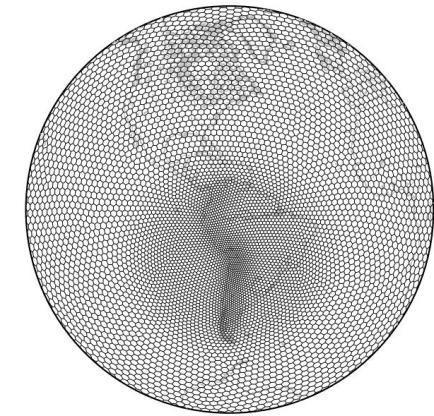


# Codes

- MPAS-BR:

<https://github.com/pedrospeixoto/MPAS-BR>

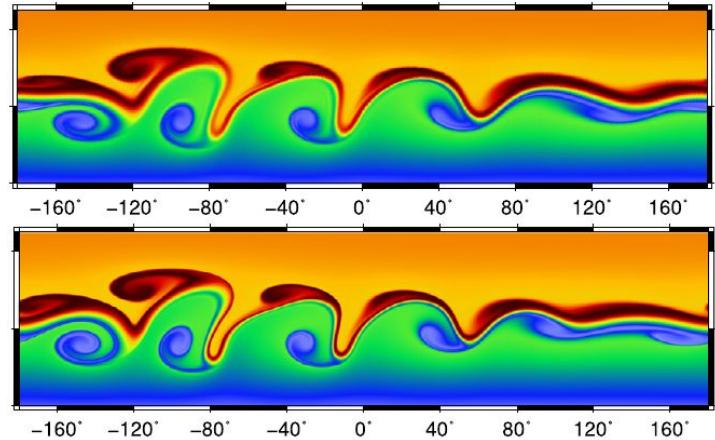
Research code for MPAS Brazilian MONAN initiative.



- IMODEL:

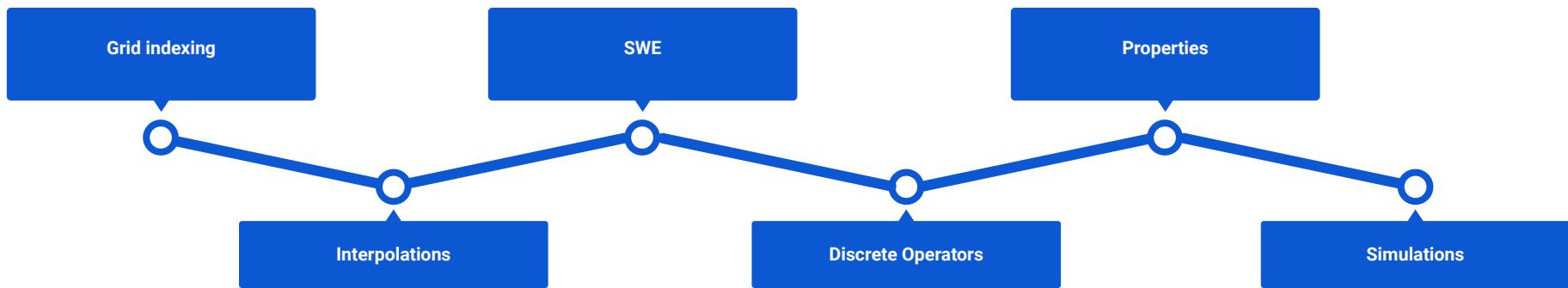
<https://github.com/pedrospeixoto/iModel>

Shallow Water Equation Model  
Icosahedral grid tools



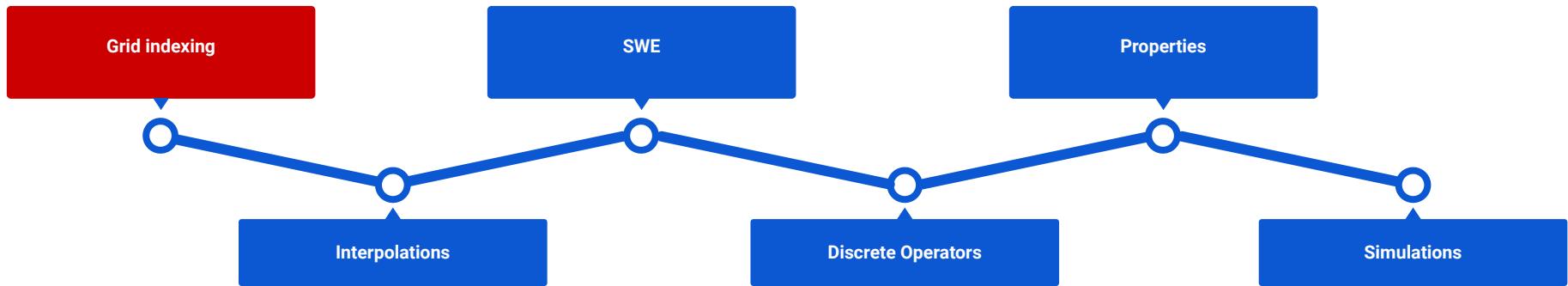
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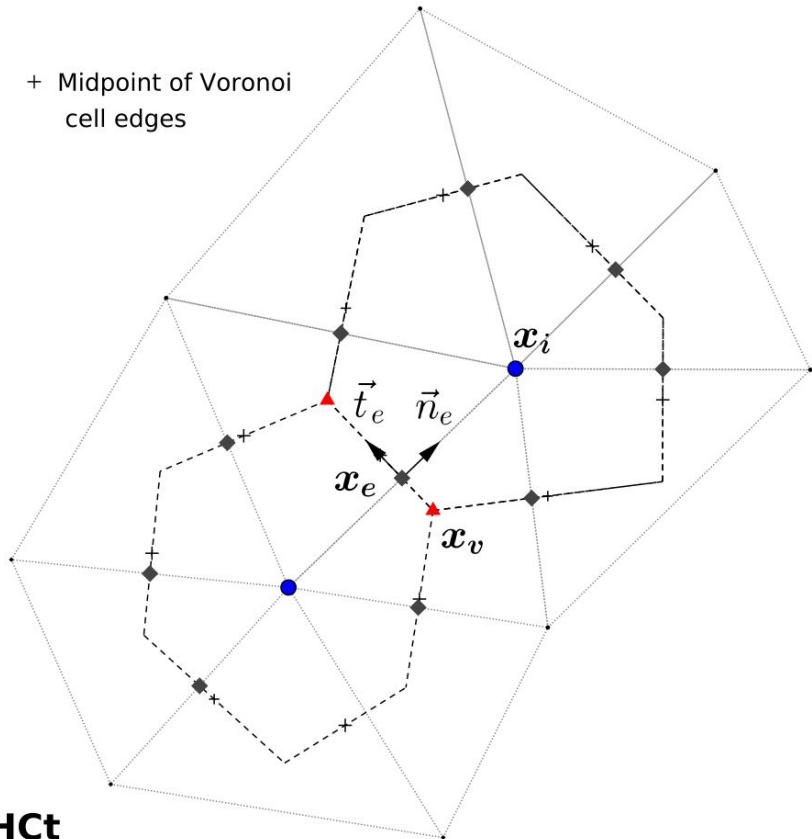
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Today's class:



# Grid Structures

- + Midpoint of Voronoi cell edges



## Voronoi/Delaunay grid

### Primal Grid (Voronoi):

- Cells Nodes (Voronoi generators)
- Cell Vertices (Triangle circumcenters)
- Cell Edges (connects triangle circumcenters)

### Dual Grid (Delaunay):

- Triangles circumcenters
- Triangle vertices (Cell nodes)
- Triangle Edges (connects cell nodes)

### Dual and Primal Edges:

- Same indexing
- Orthogonal
- Reference tangent and normal vectors

# Grid Recall - Jigsaw

Load environment

- `$conda activate maps-tools`

Create an example grid with Jigsaw

- `(mpas-tools) /.../MPAS-BR/grids/utilities/jigsaw$ python3 spherical_grid.py -g unif -o unif240km -r 240 -l 240`

Check the grid created (resolutions) - Plot.

- `(mpas-tools) /.../MPAS-BR/post_proc/py/grid_maps$ python3 mpas_plot_grid.py -g ../../..../grids/utilities/jigsaw/unif240km/unif240km_mpas.nc -o ../../..../grids/utilities/jigsaw/unif240km/unif240km_mpas.jpg`

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netcdf x1.2562.grid {
dimensions:
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    nVertices = 5120 ;
    nEdges = 7680 ;
    maxEdges = 10 ;
    maxEdges2 = 20 ;
    TWO = 2 ;
    vertexDegree = 3 ;
    codeLen = 1 ;
variables:
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        indexToCellID:units = "-" ;
        indexToCellID:long_name = "Mapping from local array index to global cell
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    latCell:units = "rad" ;
    latCell:long_name = "Latitude of cells" ;
double lonCell(ncells) ;
    lonCell:units = "rad" ;
    lonCell:long_name = "Longitude of cells" ;
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    xCell:long_name = "Cartesian x-coordinate of cells" ;
double yCell(nCells) ;
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    yCell:long_name = "Cartesian y-coordinate of cells" ;
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double zVertex(nVertices) ;

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# Netcdf grid files

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        edgesOnEdge:long_name = "IDs of edges involved in reconstruction of tangential velocity for an edge" ;
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    double areaTriangle(nVertices) ;
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        kiteAreaOnVertex:long_name = "Intersection areas between primal (Voronoi) and dual (triangular) mesh cells" ;
    double dEdge(nEdges) ;
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        dEdge:long_name = "Spherical distance between vertex endpoints of an edge" ;
    double dcEdge(nEdges) ;
        dcEdge:units = "m" ;
        dcEdge:long_name = "Spherical distance between cells separated by an edge" ;
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# Data structure

## MPAS grid files and coding structure

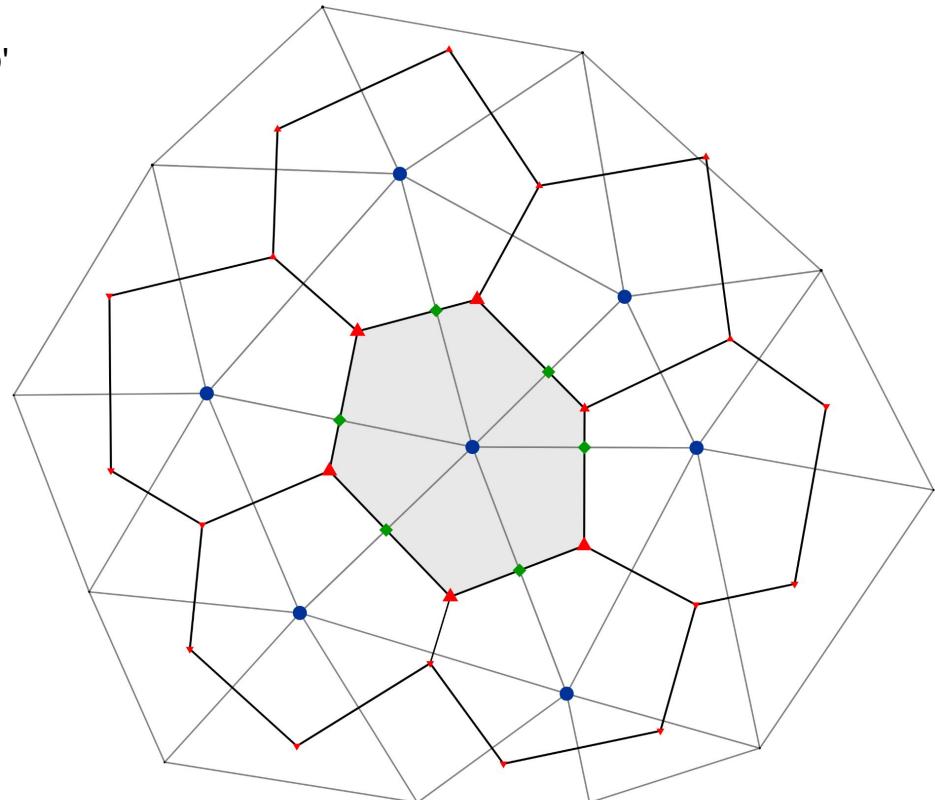
### Geometric Point Locations

- Cell: 'latCell', 'lonCell', 'xCell', 'yCell', 'zCell', 'indexToCellID'

- Edges: 'latEdge', 'lonEdge', 'xEdge', 'yEdge', 'zEdge',  
'indexToEdgeID'

- Vertices (Triangle circumcentres): 'latVertex', 'lonVertex',  
'xVertex', 'yVertex', 'zVertex', 'indexToVertexID'

**IndexToXXXX** : Converts local indexing to global indexing  
(to allow parallelism, the grid is split into blocks)



## MPAS grid files and coding structure

# Data structure

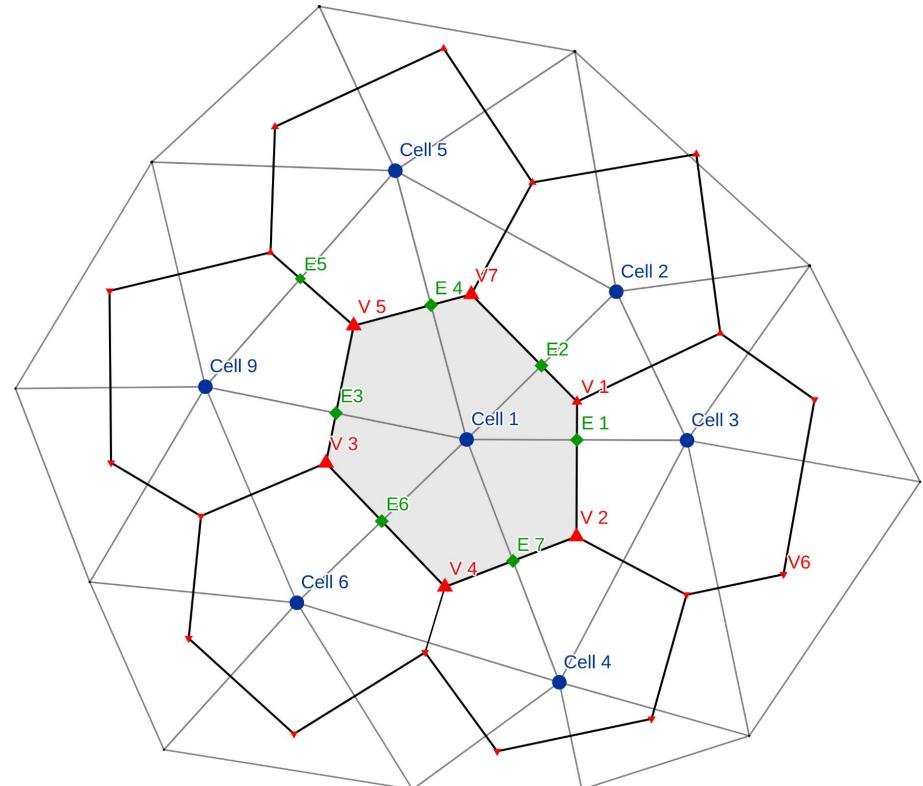
Connections:

- Quantities: 'nEdgesOnCell'

- Indexing: 'cellsOnCell', 'edgesOnCell', 'verticesOnCell',  
'edgesOnEdge', 'cellsOnEdge', 'verticesOnEdge',  
'cellsOnVertex', 'edgesOnVertex'

Example:

- $nEdgesOnCell(1) = 6$
- $cellsOnCell(1) = (3, 2, 5, 9, 6, 4)$
- $edgesOnCell(1) = (1, 2, 4, 3, 6, 7)$
- $verticesOnCell(1) = (1, 7, 5, 3, 4, 2)$
- $cellsOnEdge(1) = (1, 3)$
- $verticesOnEdge(1) = (1, 2)$
- $cellsOnVertex(1) = (1, 3, 2)$
- $edgesOnVertex(5) = (4, 5, 3)$

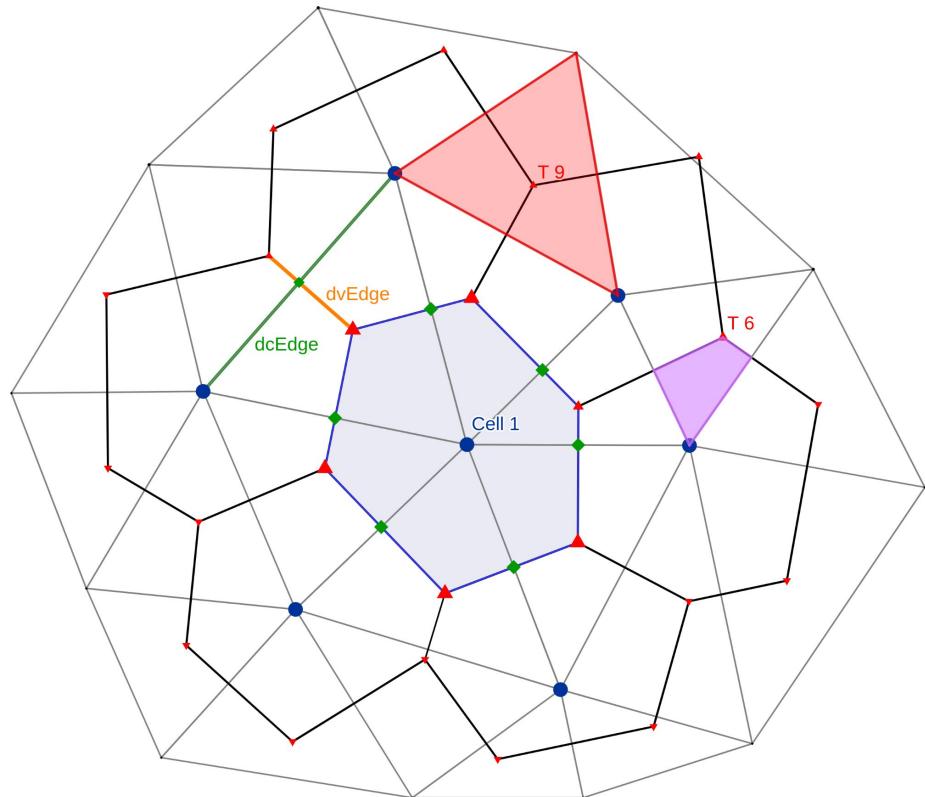


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# Data structure

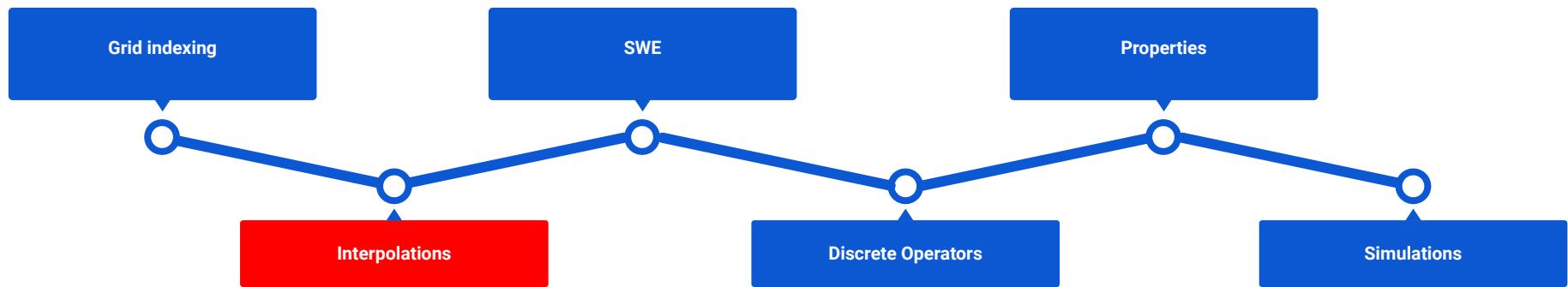
Properties:

- Area: 'areaCell', 'areaTriangle', 'kiteAreasOnVertex'
- Length: 'dcEdge', 'dvEdge'
- Quality: 'cellQuality', 'gridSpacing', 'triangleQuality', 'triangleAngleQuality', 'obtuseTriangle', 'meshDensity'
- Others: 'angleEdge', 'weightsOnEdge'



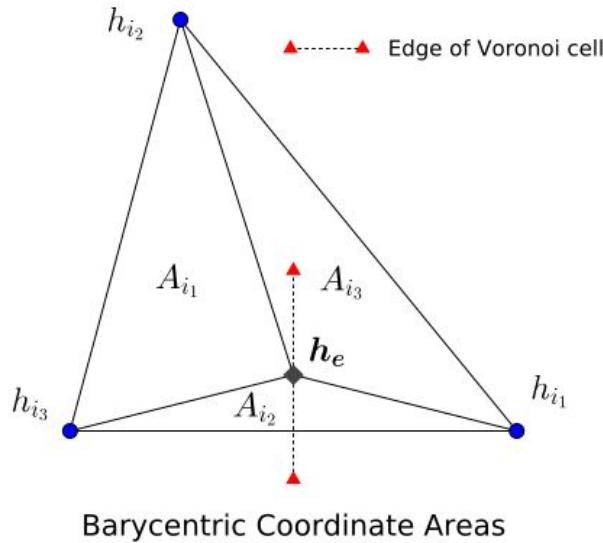
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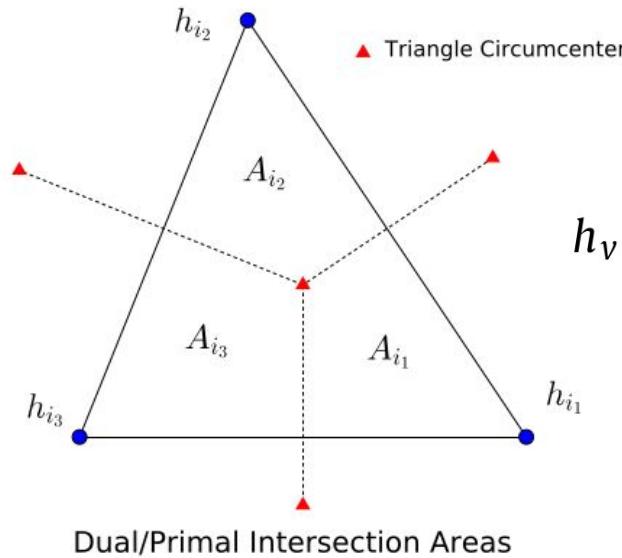
# Scalar Data interpolation

From triangle vertices (cell nodes) to triangle centres:



$$h_e = \sum_i \lambda_i(x_e) h_i, \quad \lambda_i(x_e) = \frac{a_i(x_e)}{A_k},$$

Barycentric: Exact for linear fields



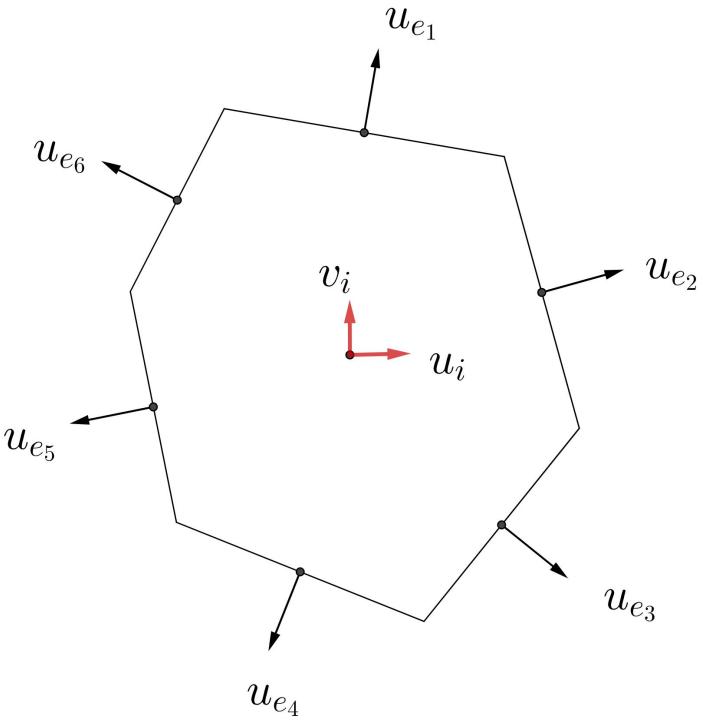
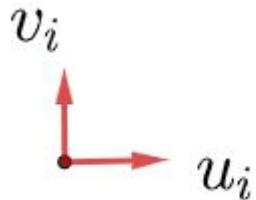
$$h_v = \frac{1}{A_k} \sum_i a_{iv} h_i,$$

Used in MPAS  
(Exact for constant fields)

# Vector Reconstructions

Given normal edge velocities:  $u_e$

How to reconstruct zonal/meridional velocities at cell centre?

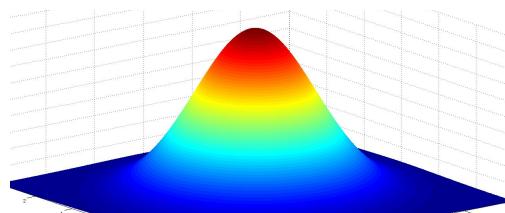


# Vector Reconstruction

MPAS uses Radial Basis Functions (RBF)

$$\vec{u}(\vec{x}) = \sum_{i=1}^k \lambda_i \phi_i(\vec{x}) \vec{n}_i,$$

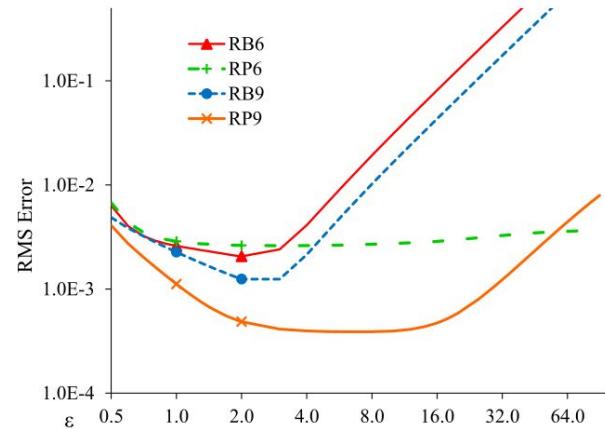
$$\phi(r) = e^{-(\epsilon r)^2}$$



Solves a linear system:

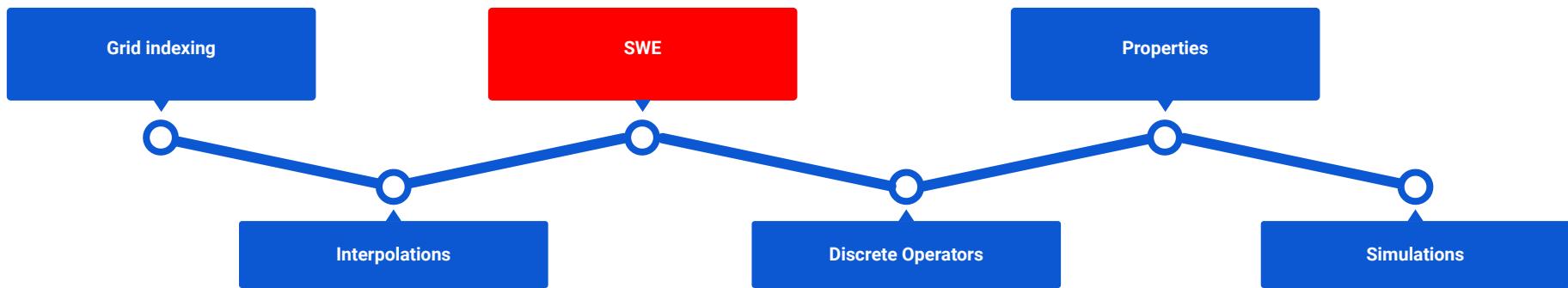
$$\sum_{i=1}^k \lambda_i \phi_i(\vec{x}_j) \vec{n}_i \cdot \vec{n}_j = u_j$$

See: Peixoto, PS and Barros, SRM, 2014 : On vector field reconstructions for semi-Lagrangian transport methods on geodesic staggered grids (Journal of Computational Physics) – [PDF](#), [DOI](#)



# Overview

Today's class:



# Ultimate goal

Hydrostatic (primitive) equations: inadequate below ~20-10km horizontal resolution

To capture explicit convection (resolution << 10km):

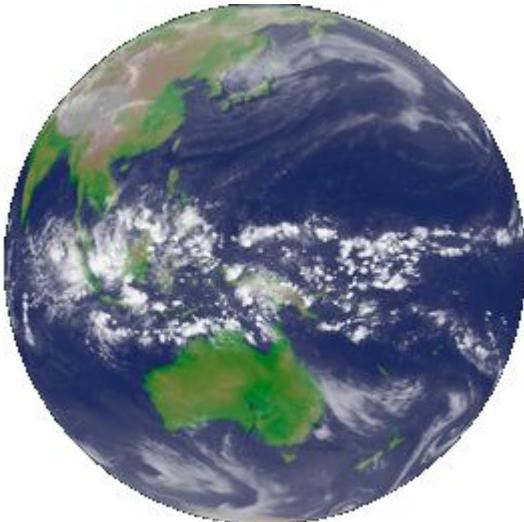


Image: NICAM Model (Japan)

## Compressible Euler equations for atmosphere (ideal gas)

$$\frac{D\mathbf{u}}{Dt} = -2\Omega \times \mathbf{u} - \frac{1}{\rho} \nabla p + \mathbf{g} + \mathbf{F}_r \quad (\text{Momentum})$$

$$\frac{D\rho}{Dt} = -\rho \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} \quad (\text{Continuity})$$

$$c_v \frac{DT}{Dt} = -\frac{p}{\rho} \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} \quad (\text{Thermodynamics})$$

- $\mathbf{u} = (u, v, w)$ : wind velocity
- $p$ : pressure
- $\rho$ : density
- $T$ : temperature
- $D/Dt = \partial/\partial t + \mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla$ : Material derivative

# Intermediate step

3D Incompressibility (constant density):

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{v} = 0, \quad (\rho = \rho_0)$$

Hydrostatic balance:

$$\frac{\partial p}{\partial z} = -\rho_0 g,$$

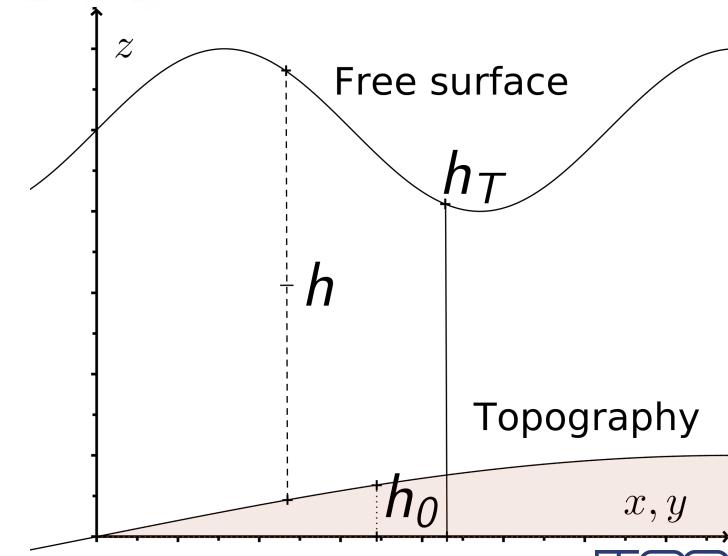
Vertical  
Integration  
(Mean Flow)

Free surface  $h_T(x, y, t)$  where  $h_T = h_0 + h$ , with  $h_0(x, y)$  topography,  
 $h(x, y, t)$  fluid depth.

$$\int_z^{h_T} \frac{\partial p}{\partial z} dz = - \int_z^{h_T} \rho_0 g dz$$
$$p(z) = \rho_0 g(h_T - z) + \underbrace{p(h_T)}_{\text{Constant}}$$

Pressure gradient:

$$\nabla p = \rho_0 g \nabla h_T$$



# Shallow Water Equations

Horizontal Momentum Equations ( $\vec{v} = (u, v)$ ):

$$\frac{\partial \vec{v}}{\partial t} + \underbrace{(\vec{v} \cdot \nabla) \vec{v}}_{\text{nonlinear advection}} = \underbrace{-f \vec{k} \times \vec{v}}_{\text{Coriolis}} - \underbrace{g \nabla(h + h_0)}_{\text{Pressure}}$$

( $f$ -plane approximation)

# Shallow Water Equations

3D Incompressibility :

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{v} = \partial_x u + \partial_y v + \partial_z w = 0,$$

$$\partial_z w = -\partial_x u - \partial_y v$$

Vertical  
Integration  
(Mean Flow)

Free surface must have  $w$  velocity:

$$\frac{Dh_T}{Dt} = w(x, y, h_T, t)$$

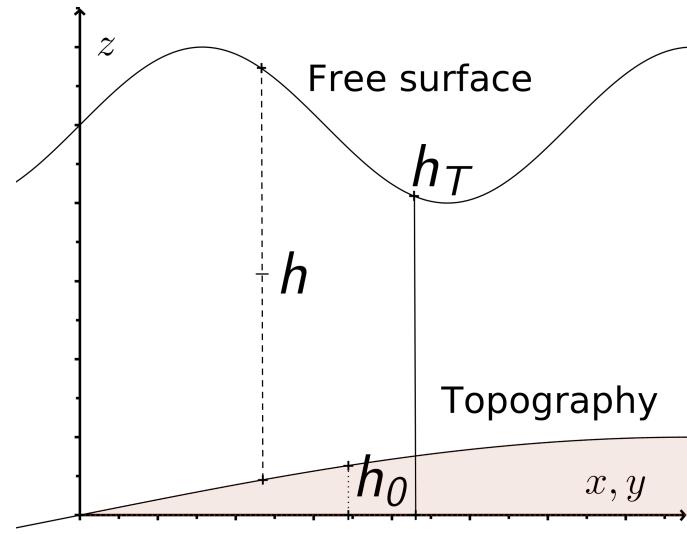
Topography height must have  $w_0$  velocity:

$$\frac{Dh_0}{Dt} = w(x, y, h_0, t) \Rightarrow w(x, y, h_0, t) = \vec{v} \cdot \nabla h_0$$

Integrate 3D incompressibility:

$$\int_{h_0}^h \partial_z w dz = - \int_{h_0}^h (\partial_x u + \partial_y v) dz$$

$$w_h - w_0 = -(h - h_0) \nabla \cdot \vec{v}$$



# Shallow Water Equations

$$\vec{v}(x, y, t) = (u(x, y, t), v(x, y, t))$$

$$h(x, y, t) = h_T(x, y, t) - h_0(x, y)$$

2D Continuity equation:

$$\frac{\partial h}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (h \vec{v}) = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial h}{\partial t} + \underbrace{\vec{v} \cdot \nabla h}_{\text{transport}} = \underbrace{-h \nabla \cdot \vec{v}}_{\text{flow divergence}}$$

2D Horizontal Momentum Equations:

$$\frac{\partial \vec{v}}{\partial t} + \underbrace{(\vec{v} \cdot \nabla) \vec{v}}_{\text{nonlinear advection}} = \underbrace{-f \vec{k} \times \vec{v}}_{\text{Coriolis}} - \underbrace{g \nabla(h + h_0)}_{\text{Pressure}}$$

( $f$ -plane approximation)

# Shallow Water Equations on the Sphere

Using that:

$$(\vec{v} \cdot \nabla) \vec{v} = (\nabla \times \vec{v}) \times \vec{v} + \frac{1}{2} \nabla (\vec{v} \cdot \vec{v})$$

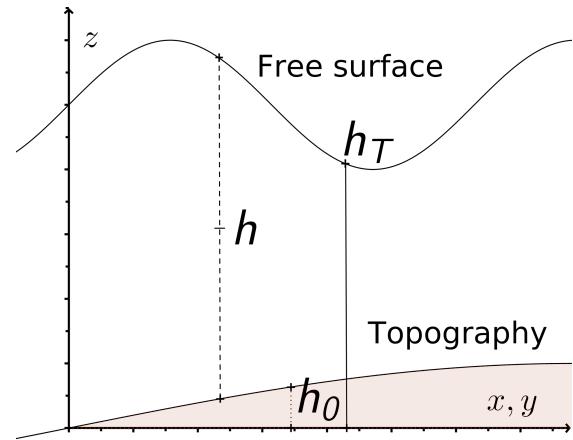
Vector invariant form:

$$\frac{\partial h}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (h \vec{v}) = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial \vec{v}}{\partial t} + \eta \vec{k} \times \vec{v} = -\nabla K - g \nabla (h + h_0)$$

- $\vec{v}$  is the 3D velocity vector tangent to the sphere
- $f = 2\Omega \sin(\theta)$
- $\nabla$  gradient on tangent plane
- $\vec{k}$  unit vector point out of the sphere

Many properties: Conserves mass, energy, enstrophy, Coriolis neutral in energy budget, normal modes - inertia-gravity waves, Rossby waves, etc...



- Kinetic Energy  $K = \frac{\vec{v} \cdot \vec{v}}{2}$
- Absolute Vorticity

$$\eta = \vec{k} \cdot \nabla \times \vec{u} + f$$

# Discrete shallow Water Equations

Vector invariant form

$$\frac{\partial h}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (h \vec{u}) = 0,$$

$$\frac{\partial \vec{u}}{\partial t} + q h \vec{u}^\perp = -g \nabla(h + b) - \nabla K,$$

Discrete model

$$\frac{\partial h_i}{\partial t} = -D_i,$$

$$\frac{\partial u_e}{\partial t} = -Q_e^\perp - G_e,$$

- $D_i$  discrete version of  $\nabla \cdot (h \vec{u})$
- $G_e$  discrete version of  $\nabla(g(h + b) + K)$
- $Q_e^\perp$  discrete version of  $q h \vec{u}^\perp$

Use staggered Voronoi grid (C-Grid):

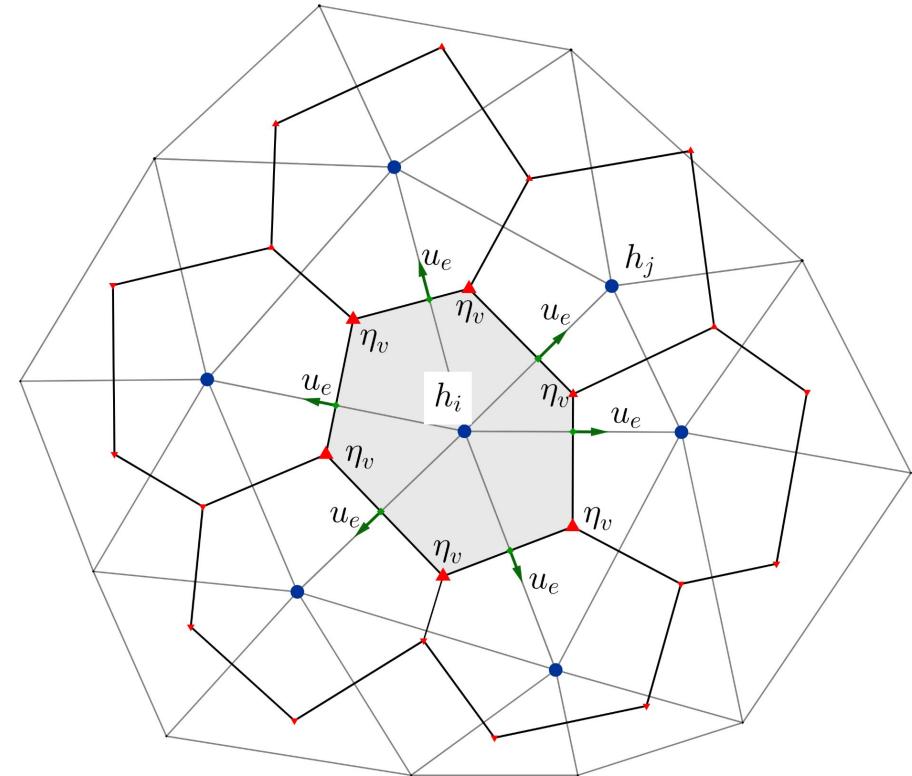
Cell centres: Depth

$$h_i$$

Edges: Velocity (normal)

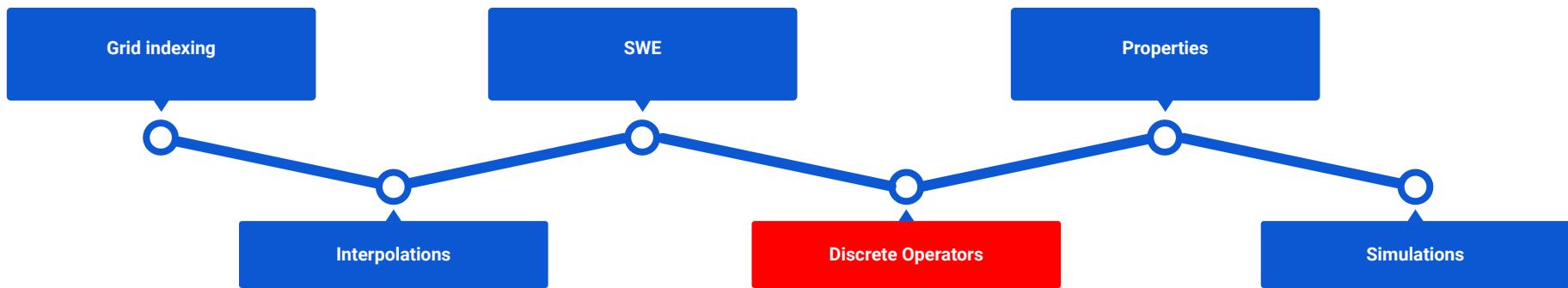
$$u_e$$

Triangles CC: Vorticity (PV)  $q = \eta/h$



# Overview

Today's class:



# Divergence

**Finite Volume** based:

Similar to what was done in 2D Cartesian grids!

Key concepts:

- Point value divergence is approximated by cell integral (average):  $\nabla \cdot (\vec{v}h) \approx \frac{1}{\|\Omega\|} \int_{\Omega} \nabla \cdot (\vec{v}h) dA$
- Divergence Theorem - from area integral to edge integral:

$$\frac{1}{\|\Omega\|} \int_{\Omega} \nabla \cdot (\vec{v}h) dA = \frac{1}{\|\Omega\|} \int_{\partial\Omega} h \vec{v} \cdot \vec{n} dl = \frac{1}{\|\Omega\|} \sum_e \int_{\gamma_e} h \vec{v} \cdot \vec{n} dl$$

- Approximate each edge integral with midpoint rule:

$$\frac{1}{\|\Omega\|} \sum_e \int_{\gamma_e} h \vec{v} \cdot \vec{n} dl = \frac{1}{\|\Omega\|} \sum_e h_e u_e n_{ei} l_e$$

- Interpolate depth to edges:

$$h_e = (h_i + h_j)/2$$

- Normal direction correction:  $n_{ei} = \pm 1$

Wiki

$$\underbrace{\int \cdots \int_U}_{n} \nabla \cdot \mathbf{F} dV = \underbrace{\oint \cdots \oint_{\partial U}}_{n-1} \mathbf{F} \cdot \mathbf{n} dS$$

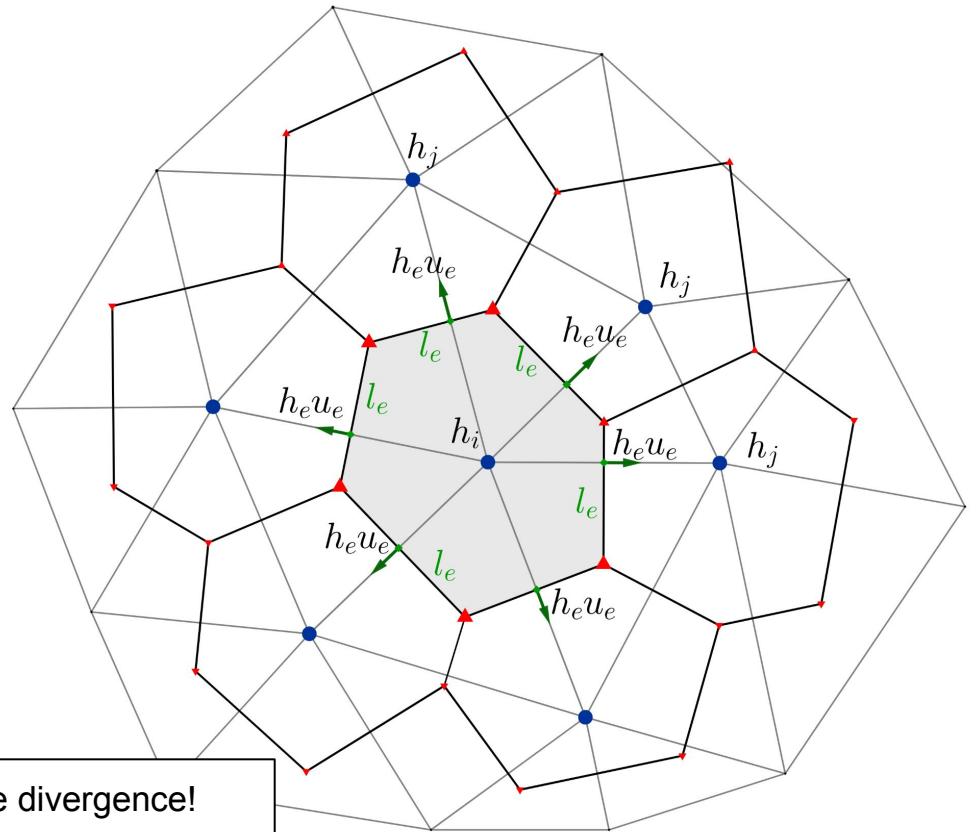
This equation is also known as the divergence theorem.

# Divergence

$$D_i = \frac{1}{A_i} \sum_e h_e u_e n_{eil_e}$$

Cell Area:  $A_i$

Cell edge length:  $l_e$



>> If the cell is a rectangle, we recover the 2D discrete divergence!

# Divergence in MPAS

$$D_i = \frac{1}{A_i} \sum_e h_e u_e n_{ei} l_e$$

 $n_{ei}$  $l_e$ 

```
4728      do iCell=cellStart,cellEnd
4729          h_divergence(1:nVertLevels,iCell) = 0.0
4730          do i=1,nEdgesOnCell(iCell)
4731              iEdge = edgesOnCell(i,iCell)
4732              edge_sign = edgesOnCell_sign(i,iCell) * dvEdge(iEdge)
4733
4734 !DIR$ IVDEP
4735          do k=1,nVertLevels
4736              h_divergence(k,iCell) = h_divergence(k,iCell) + edge_sign * ru(k,iEdge)
4737          end do
4738
4739      end do
4740
```

 $h_e u_e$ 

$$\sum_e$$

```
4743      do iCell = cellStart,cellEnd
4744          r = invAreaCell(iCell)
4745          do k = 1,nVertLevels
4746              h_divergence(k,iCell) = h_divergence(k,iCell) * r
4747          end do
4748      end do
4749
```

 $\frac{1}{A_i}$ 

[https://github.com/pedrospeixoto/MPAS-BR/blob/master/src/core\\_atmosphere/dynamics/mpas\\_atm\\_time\\_integration.F](https://github.com/pedrospeixoto/MPAS-BR/blob/master/src/core_atmosphere/dynamics/mpas_atm_time_integration.F)

# Gradient

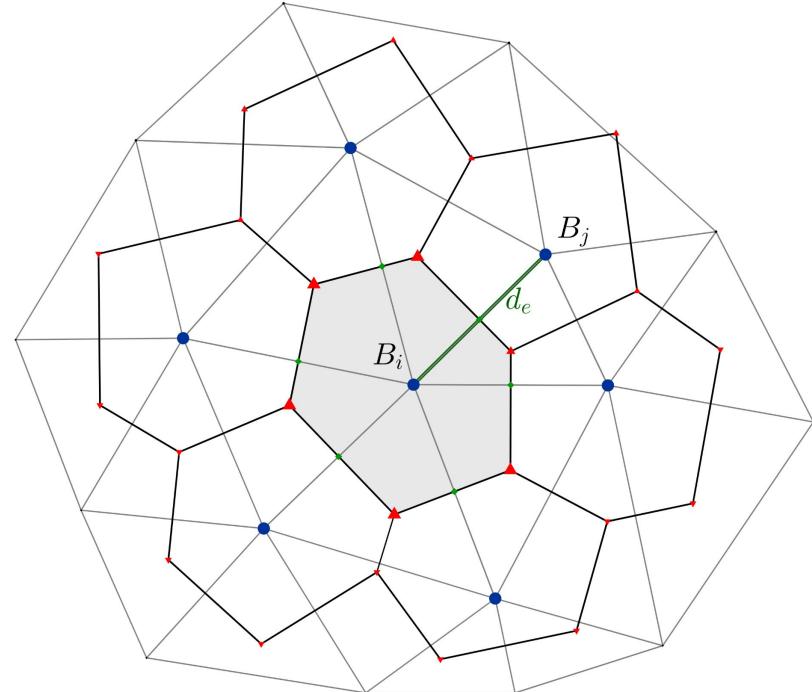
**Finite Volume** based: Similar to what was done in 2D Cartesian grids!

$G_e$  Discrete gradient of the gradient of the Bernoulli potential     $\nabla(g(h + b) + K) = \nabla B$

Key concepts:

- Integrate (average) gradient along a dual edge (that connects cell nodes)
- Use the fundamental theorem of Calculus (line integral converts to point values)

$$\nabla B \approx \frac{1}{d_e} \int_{e'} \nabla B \, dl = \frac{1}{d_e} (B_j - B_i)$$



# Gradient in MPAS

In the 3D model, we have the gradient of Kinetic Energy at this point of the code:

$$\nabla K \approx \frac{1}{d_e} \int_{e'} \nabla K \, dl = \frac{1}{d_e} (K_j - K_i)$$

$$K_j - K_i$$



```
4823      do k=1,nVertLevels
4824
4825      ! horizontal ke gradient and vorticity terms in the vector invariant formulation
4826      ! of the horizontal momentum equation
4827      tend_u(k,iEdge) = tend_u(k,iEdge) + rho_edge(k,iEdge)* (q(k) - (ke(k,cell2) - ke(k,cell1))
4828                           * invDcEdge(iEdge)) &
4829                           - u(k,iEdge)*0.5*(h_divergence(k,cell1)+h_divergence(k,cell2))
```

$$\frac{1}{d_e}$$

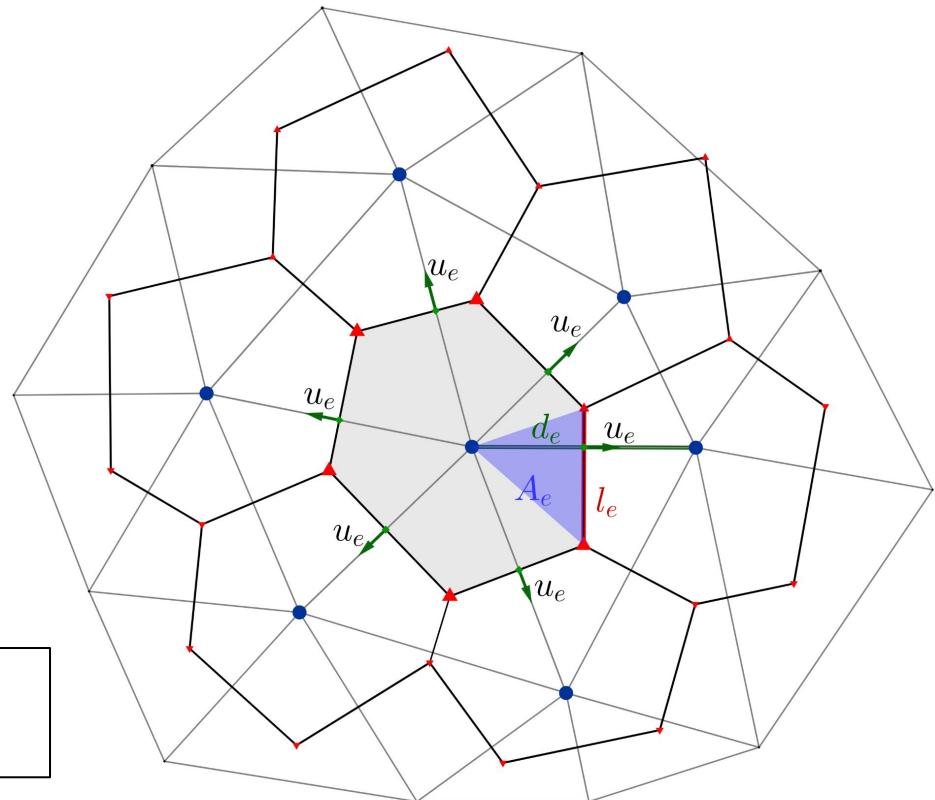
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# Kinetic energy

$$K_i = \frac{1}{4A_i} \sum_e l_e d_e u_e^2,$$

$$A_e \approx \frac{l_e d_e}{4}$$
 Edge “area”

The edge has an associated “area” (blue): this is key to energy conservation.



# Vorticity

$$\eta = \vec{k} \cdot \nabla \times \vec{u} + f$$

**Finite Volume** based: Similar to what was done in 2D Cartesian grids on the dual grid!

Key concepts:

- Point value vorticity is approximated by triangle integral (average):  $\vec{k} \cdot \nabla \times \vec{u} \approx \frac{1}{\|T\|} \int_T \vec{k} \cdot \nabla \times \vec{u} dA$
- “Divergence” (Circulation) Theorem - from area integral to edge integral:

$$\frac{1}{\|T\|} \int_T \vec{k} \cdot \nabla \times \vec{u} dA = \frac{1}{\|T\|} \int_{\partial T} \vec{v} \cdot \vec{t} dl = \frac{1}{\|T\|} \sum_{e'} \int_{e'} \vec{v} \cdot \vec{t} dl$$

- Approximate each edge integral with midpoint rule:

$$\frac{1}{\|T\|} \sum_{e'} \int_{e'} \vec{v} \cdot \vec{t} dl = \frac{1}{\|T\|} \sum_{e'} u_e t_{ei} d_e$$

- Counter-clockwise tangent direction correction:  $t_{ei} = \pm 1$

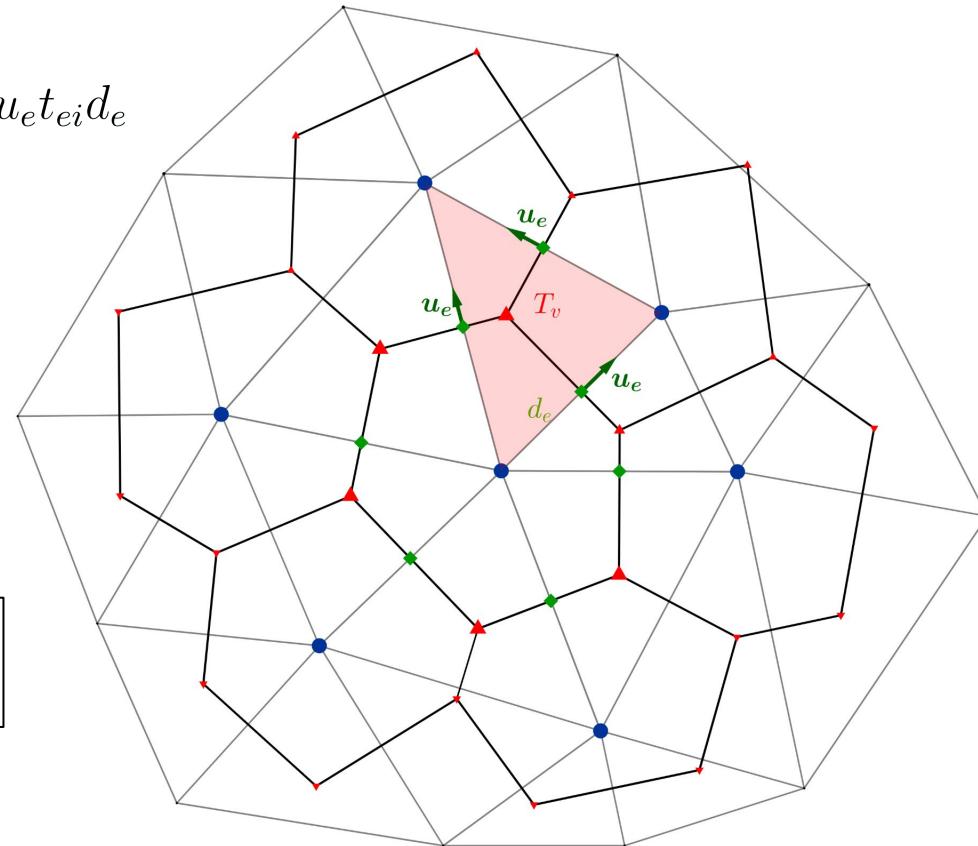
# Vorticity

$$\vec{k} \cdot \nabla \times \vec{u} \approx \frac{1}{A_v} \int_T \vec{k} \cdot \nabla \times \vec{u} dA \approx \frac{1}{A_v} \sum_{e'} u_e t_{ei} d_e$$

$A_v$  Triangle area

$d_e$  Triangle edge length

The normal velocity vectors relative to Voronoi cells are tangent velocity vectors on triangles!!!

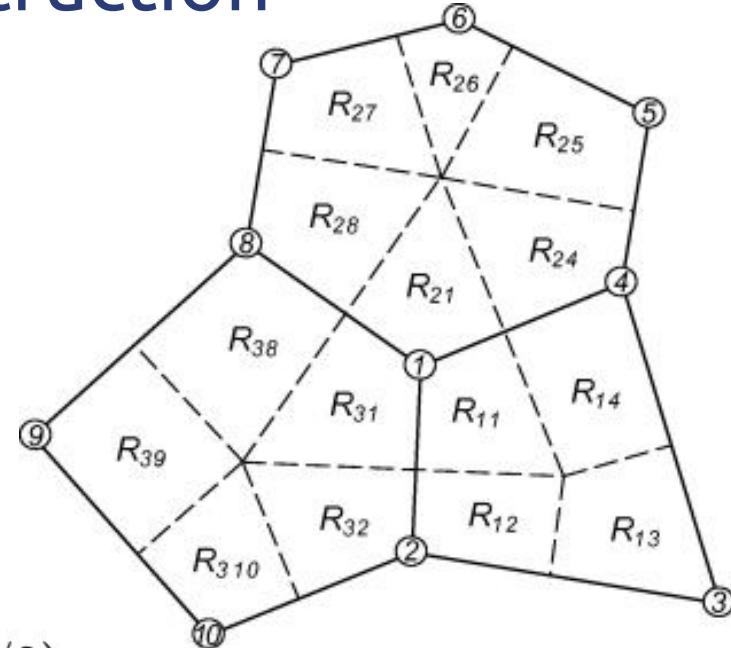


# Tangential Reconstruction

Given normal velocities, the Coriolis term requires a perpendicular (tangential) velocity!!!

$$u_e^\perp = \sum_{e' \in \text{NB}(e)} w_{ee'} u_{e'}$$

$$w_{e e'} t_{e v_2} = (\sum_v R_{i v} - \alpha_{e' i v_1}) n_{e' i} = (\sum_v R_{i v} - 1/2) n_{e' i}$$



Thuburn, J., T. Ringler, J. Klemp and W. Skamarock, 2009: Numerical representation of geostrophic modes on arbitrarily structured C-grids, Journal of Computational Physics, 2009

# Tangential velocity in MPAS

```
5710 !  
5711 ! Compute v (tangential) velocities following Thuburn et al JCP 2009  
5712 ! The tangential velocity is only used to compute the Smagorinsky coefficient  
5713  
5714     reconstruct_v = .true.  
5715     if(present(rk_step)) then  
5716         if(rk_step /= 3) reconstruct_v = .false.  
5717     end if  
5718  
5719     if (reconstruct_v) then  
5720         do iEdge = edgeStart,edgeEnd  
5721             v(1:nVertLevels,iEdge) = 0.0  
5722             do i=1,nEdgesOnEdge(iEdge)  
5723                 eoe = edgesOnEdge(i,iEdge)  
5724                 !DIR$ IVDEP  
5725                 do k = 1,nVertLevels  
5726                     v(k,iEdge) = v(k,iEdge) + weightsOnEdge(i,iEdge) * u(k, eoe)  
5727                 end do  
5728             end do  
5729         end do  
5730     end if  
5731  
5732  
5733  
5734  
5735  
5736  
5737
```

$u_e$

$w_{ee}$

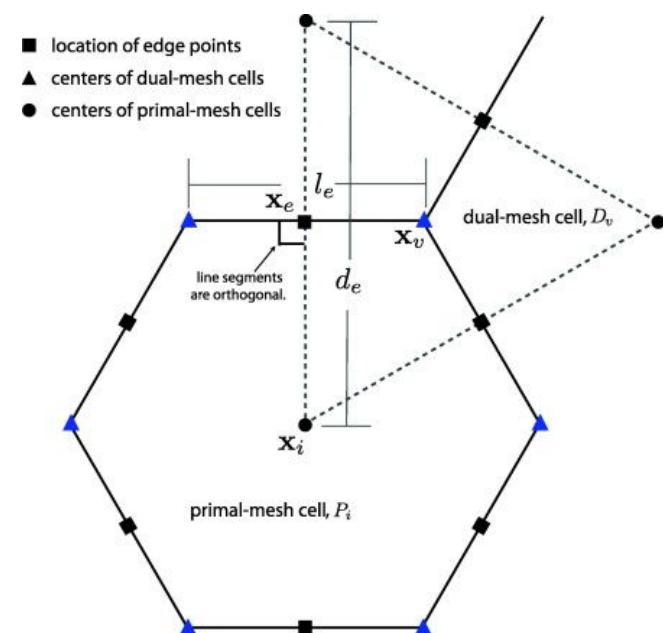
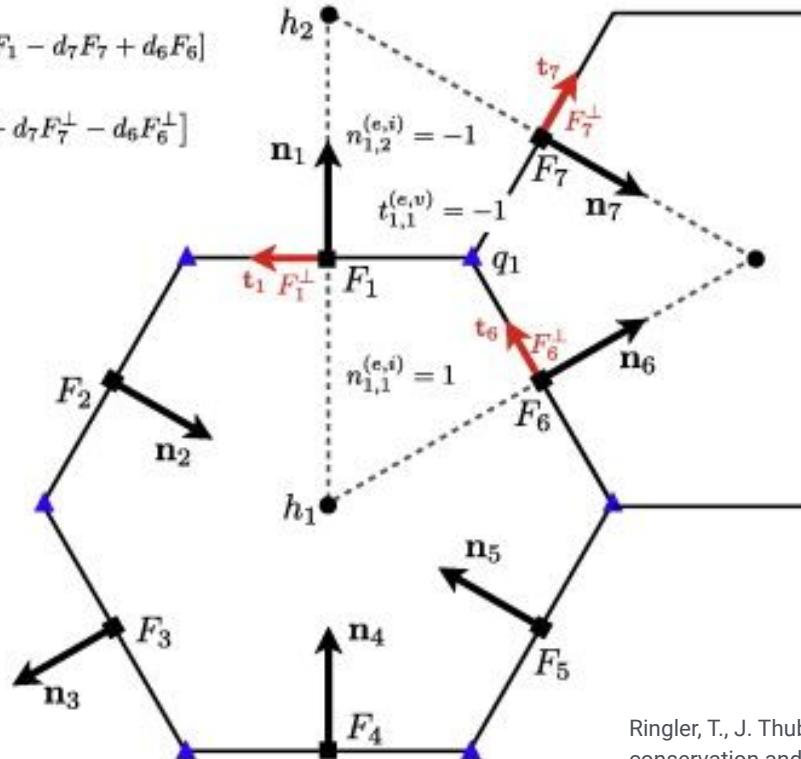
# Summary of Operators

$$[\nabla \cdot F \mathbf{n}]_1^{(i)} = \frac{1}{A^{(i)}} [l_1 F_1 - l_2 F_2 + l_3 F_3 - l_4 F_4 - l_5 F_5 + l_6 F_6]$$

$$[\mathbf{k} \cdot \nabla \times F \mathbf{n}]_1^{(v)} = \frac{1}{A_1^{(v)}} [-d_1 F_1 - d_7 F_7 + d_6 F_6]$$

$$[\nabla \cdot F^\perp \mathbf{t}]_1^{(v)} = \frac{1}{A_1^{(v)}} [d_1 F_1^\perp + d_7 F_7^\perp - d_6 F_6^\perp]$$

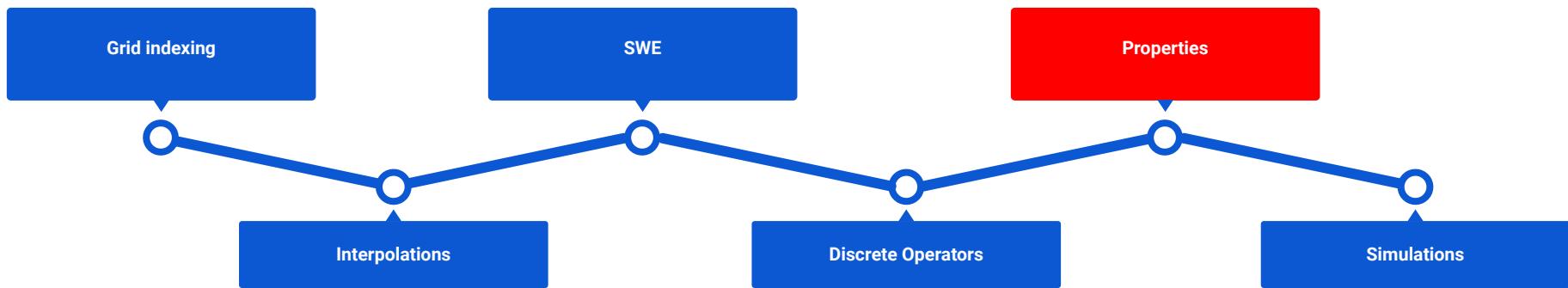
$$[\nabla h]_1^{(e)} = \frac{1}{d_1} [h_2 - h_1]$$



Ringler, T., J. Thuburn, J. Klemp and W. Skamarock, 2010: A unified approach to energy conservation and potential vorticity dynamics on arbitrarily structured C-grids, Journal of Computational Physics

# Overview

Today's class:



# Desired properties

- Example of desired properties for horizontal shallow water equations:
  - Accurate and stable
  - Scalable (Local operators - no global operations)
  - Mass and energy conservation
  - Accurate representation slow/fast waves (staggering)
  - Curl-free pressure gradient  $\nabla \times \nabla \psi = 0$
  - Energy conservation of pressure terms  $\vec{v} \cdot \nabla h + h \nabla \cdot \vec{v} = \nabla \cdot (h\vec{v})$
  - Energy conserving Coriolis term  $\vec{v} \cdot \vec{v}^\perp = 0$

Solved for Finite Differences on Lat-Lon grids (apart from scalability!)

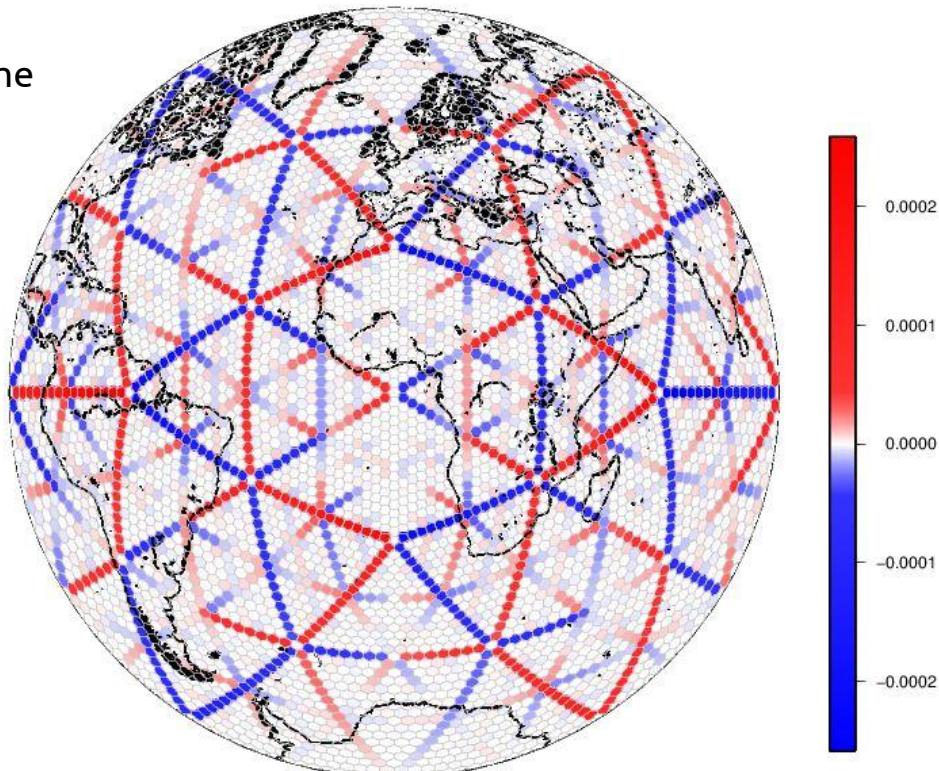
Open problem for Finite Volumes on arbitrary polygonal spherical grids

TRiSK Scheme: Ringler, T.D., Thuburn, J., Klemp, J.B. and Skamarock, W.C., 2010. A unified approach to energy conservation and potential vorticity dynamics for arbitrarily-structured C-grids. Journal of Computational Physics.

# Grid Imprinting

- Grid influences numerical errors of Finite Volume

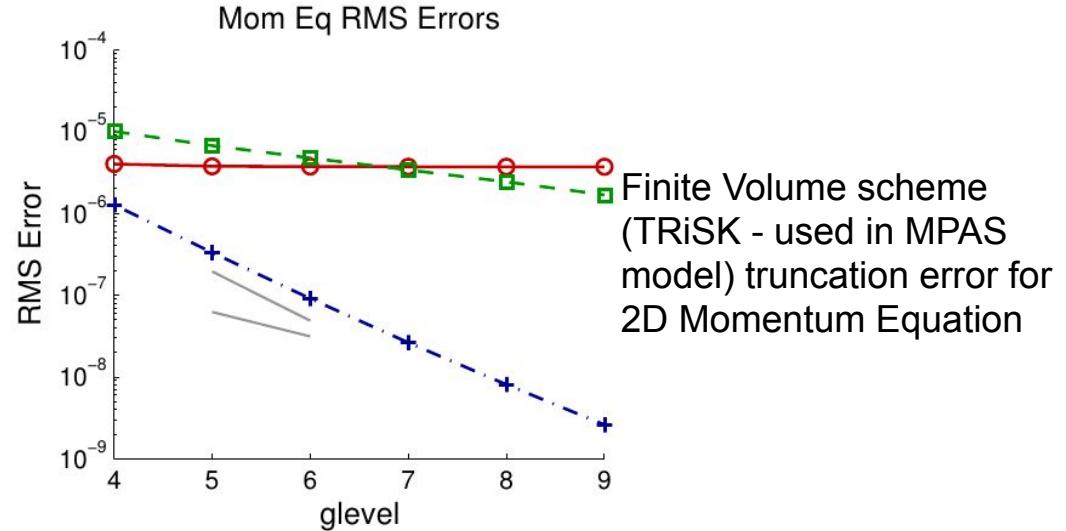
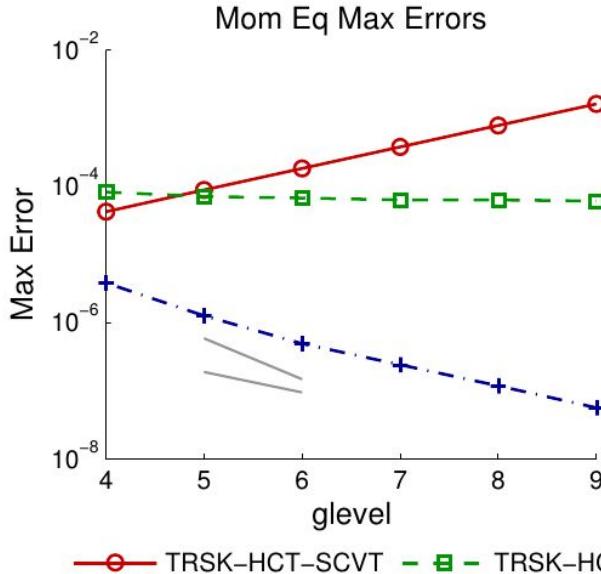
Classic Finite Volume Discretization error for 2D divergence of solid body rotation (should be zero everywhere!)



Peixoto, P.S. and Barros, S.R., 2013. Analysis of grid imprinting on geodesic spherical icosahedral grids. Journal of Computational Physics, 237, pp.61-78.

# Accuracy

- Accurate and Stable Finite Volume Schemes
  - ➡ Finite Volume Schemes may lose consistency/convergence on irregular grids



Peixoto, P.S., 2016. Accuracy analysis of mimetic finite volume operators on geodesic grids and a consistent alternative. Journal of Computational Physics, 310, pp.127-160.

# Numerical Stability

- Energy conserving schemes on polygonal grids use vector relation

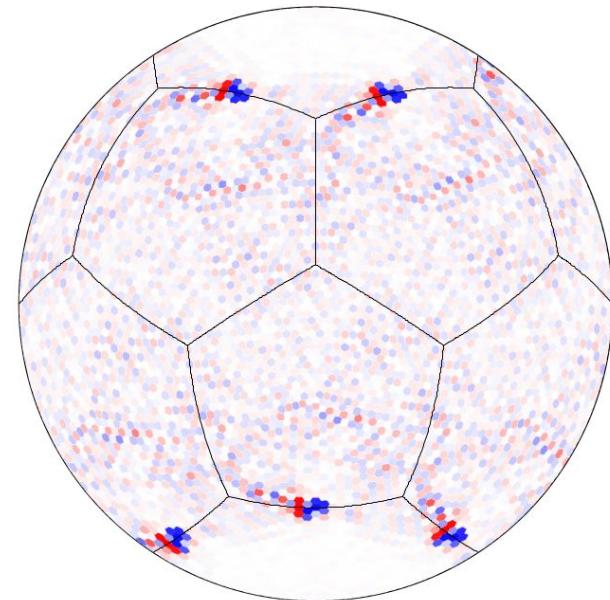
$$\vec{v} \cdot \nabla \vec{v} = \nabla K + \zeta \vec{k} \times \vec{v}$$

Equivalently for 2D:

$$uu_x + vu_y = \left( \frac{u^2 + v^2}{2} \right)_x + (v_x - u_y)(-v)$$

$$uv_x + vv_y = \left( \frac{u^2 + v^2}{2} \right)_y + (v_x - u_y)(u)$$

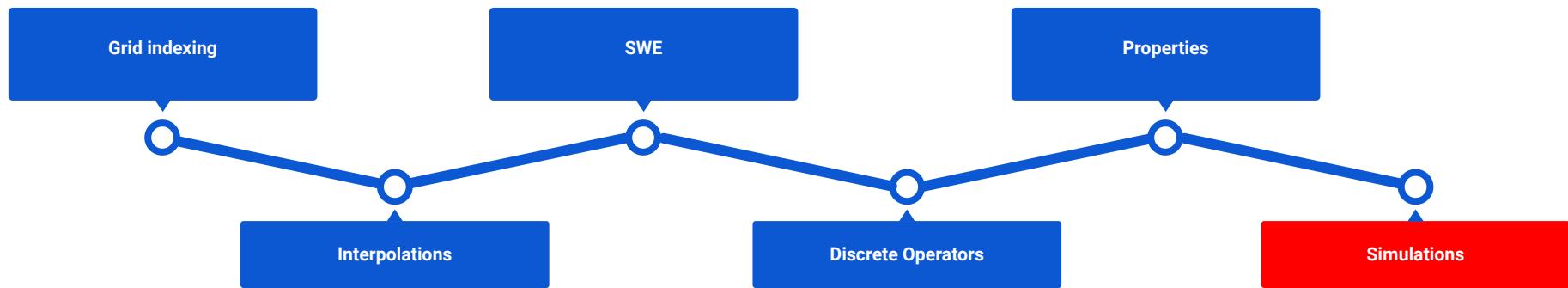
Terms in red cancel analytically, but maybe not numerically...  
Lack of numerical cancellation may lead to instability.



Peixoto, P.S., Thuburn, J. and Bell, M.J., 2018. Numerical instabilities of spherical shallow-water models considering small equivalent depths. *Quarterly Journal of the Royal Meteorological Society*, 144(710), pp.156-171.

# Overview

Today's class:



# Simulations

We will use the **iModel** code: <https://github.com/pedrospeixoto/iModel>

Why?

- Simpler to install (requirements: linux and gfortran)
- Simpler dynamics (Advection, Shallow Water, **no** 3D dynamics)
- Simpler grid generation (native grid generator)

Download:

- <https://github.com/pedrospeixoto/iModel/archive/refs/heads/master.zip>

Install:

- In a linux terminal, assuming you have gfortran installed, type:  
\$ make

# Configuration (par)

mesh.par

```
iModel > par > ≡ mesh.par
 1 !Grid parameters
 2 !Number of vertices (may be changed if icos/octg mesh is chosen)
 3 160000
 4 !Kind of mesh use: icos, octg, read, rand
 5 read
 6 !Position: eqs, pol, ran, ref, readref, readref_andes
 7 eqs
 8 !Optimization of mesh: nopt, sprg, scvt, salt, hr95
 9 nopt
10 !Loadable grid? 0-No; 1-Yes
11 1
12 !Show ongoing process details on screen? 0-No; 1-Yes
13 1
14 !Test case to be done - uncomment method to be used in imodel.f90
15 15
16 !If mesh read from file give filename (Extensions: .xyz cartesian coords, .gmt lon, lat)
17 icos_pol_scvt_h1_6.xyz
18 !Hierarchical grid construction: 0-No; 1-Yes; 2-New only; 3-Icos0 Symmetry implied; 4- Both 2 and 3
19 1
```

# Configuration (par)

mesh.par

## Grid

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10 !Loadable grid? 0-No; 1-Yes
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12 !Show ongoing process details on screen
13 1
14 !Test case to be done - uncomment meth
15 15
16 !If mesh read from file give filename
17 icos_pol_scvt_h1_6.xyz
18 !Hierarchical grid construction: 0-No;
19 1
```

Generate icosahedral grid or read from file

Simple xyz coordinates of grid points read from file

Pre-generated grids here:

<https://pedrosp.ime.usp.br/grids/swm/>

```
$ cd grid
$ wget https://pedrosp.ime.usp.br/grids/swm/icos_pol_scvt_h1_6.xyz
```

# Configuration (par)

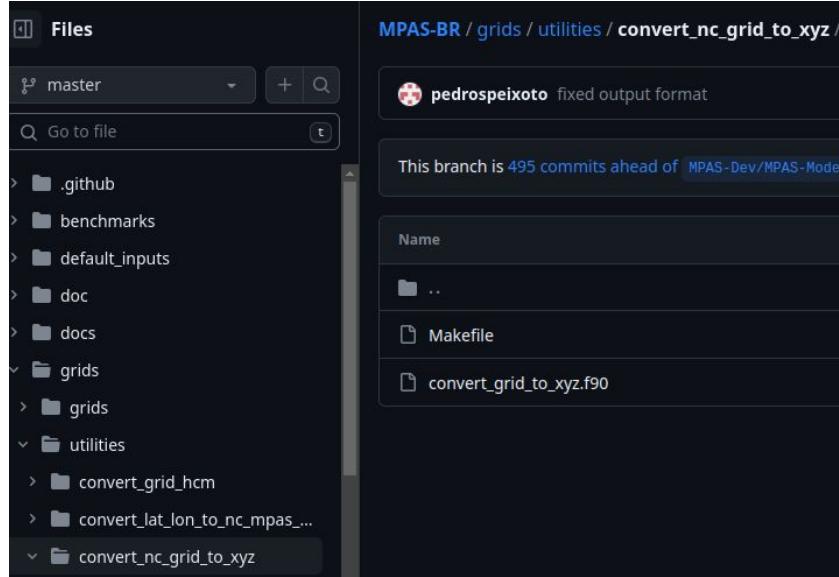
mesh.par

Grid

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Use MPAS grids

Convert grid to XYZ text file

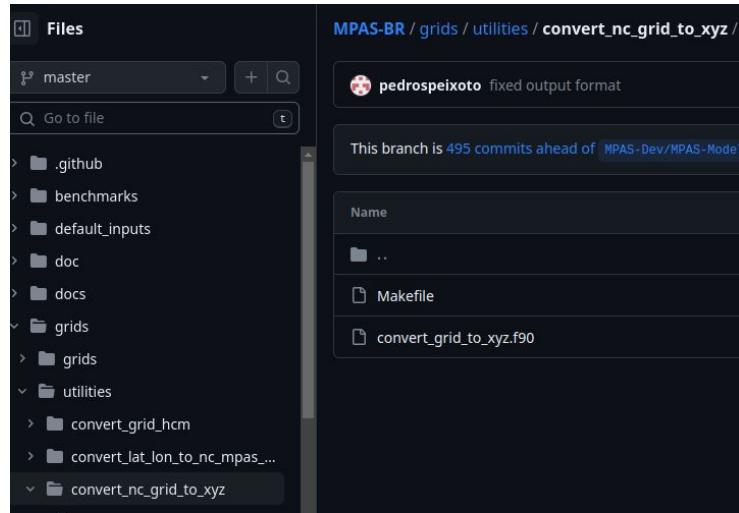


Simple xyz coordinates of grid points read from file

# Convert nc grid to XYZ

Use MPAS grids Convert MPAS grid to XYZ text file

10394	0.0038371408869309	0.0080082619234591	0.9999605712680770
0.2234697114213758	-0.8323528203382676	0.5071982556675234	
0.8983912821830898	0.0030217708665120	0.4391855792239248	
0.7200291617762784	0.5346702875287391	-0.4423637528388660	
0.2728006195110721	0.8517651783350705	0.4472984495504100	
-0.2708353213026356	0.8508032983905797	-0.4503131978774422	
-0.7239333097203067	0.5258120608778889	0.4465895651633046	



```
● (mpas-tools) pedrosp@ppeixoto:/ppdata/ppdata/Work/Reps/MPAS-BR/grids/utilities/convert_nc_grid_to_xyz$ make
gfortran convert_grid_to_xyz.f90 -o convert_grid_to_xyz -ffree-line-length-none -I/home/pedrosp/anaconda3/envs/mpas-tools/include -L/home/pedrosp/anaconda3/envs/mpas-tools/lib -lnetcdf -lnetcdff
● (mpas-tools) pedrosp@ppeixoto:/ppdata/ppdata/Work/Reps/MPAS-BR/grids/utilities/convert_nc_grid_to_xyz$ export LD_LIBRARY_PATH=`nc-config --libdir`:$LD_LIBRARY_PATH
● (mpas-tools) pedrosp@ppeixoto:/ppdata/ppdata/Work/Reps/MPAS-BR/grids/utilities/convert_nc_grid_to_xyz$ ./convert_grid_to_xyz
.../jigsaw/unif240km/unif240km_mpas.nc .../jigsaw/unif240km/unif240km_mpas.xyz
● (mpas-tools) pedrosp@ppeixoto:/ppdata/ppdata/Work/Reps/MPAS-BR/grids/utilities/convert_nc_grid_to_xyz$ █
```

Copy file to imodel grids folder!

# Configuration (par)

## Test case

mesh.par

```
iModel > par > E mesh.par
1 !Grid parameters
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3 160000
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8 !Optimization of mesh: n
9 nopt
10 !Loadable grid? 0-No; 1-
11 1
12 !Show ongoing process de
13 1
14 !test case to be done
15
16 !If mesh read from file
17 icos_pol_scvt_hl_6.xyz
18 !Hierarchical grid const
19 1
```

```
!Possible test cases
! case(1) !Test geodesic to regular grid conversion tool\\
! case(2) !Test grid point search methods\\
! case(3) !Mesh quality and distortion tests\\
! case(4) !Divergence Tests\\
! case(5) !Laplacian Tests\\
! case(6) !Test scalar interpolations\\
! case(7) !Test vector interpolation\\
! case(8) !Test vector reconstruction\\
! case(9) !Passive advection simulation\\
! case(10)!Transport flow simulation\\
! case(11)!Multigrid tests\\
! case(12)!Tg reconstruction test\\
! case(13)!Rotational discretization test\\
! case(14)!Horizontal Discret Shallow water model diagnostics\\
! case(15)!Shallow water model test cases\\
! case(16)!Superconv tests\\
! case(17)!Highorder advection tests\\
! case(18)!Moist shallow water model test cases\\
```

# Configuration (par)

swm.par

```
iModel > par >  ≡ swm.par
1 !Shallow water model parameters file - see below for details
2 !Test case / Test local truncation 0/1 (only possible in some test cases)
3 21 0
4 !Total period definition (ex:12days) / integrations stopping time (5 days)
5 8 8
6 !dt (in sec) / number of time steps (if dt=0) / adjust by grid level 5 (0 or 1)
7 60 0 0
8 !Scalar/vector location (HC or HTC)
9 HTC
10 !Wrapper (overrides next 4 options: none, trsk10, pxt16, gass18)
11 trsk10
12 !Cell vec reconstruction method (Kenergy) / Gassmann parameter (if
13 trsk 1.0
14 !Coriolis vec reconstruction method
15 trsk
16 !Scalar interpolations
17 trsk
18 !Gradient discrete method
19 trsk
20 !Area used for triangles and voronoi cells (geo=geodesic (default), geo=planar)
21 geo
22 !Number of plots on animation (ex: 10 plots) / print on screen step
23 8 60 0
24 !Diffusion coef - Leave zero for no diffusion / coefficient function
25 0 const
26 !Hyperdiffusion maximum coef - Leave zero for no hyperdiffusion / co
27 0 const
28 !Hollingsworth coef - Only for test case 32, 33, 34
29 2.0
30 !Reference threshold for hybrid method (only if 'hyb' is set on co
31 0.0
32 !Potential vorticity correction (none, apvm, clust) / CLUST parameter
33 none 0.5
34 !Level model vs layer model (Use PV = 0 , Do not use PV, use just v
```

## !Test Cases implemented

- 1: Solid body rotation
- 2 : Steady State Will92
- 5 : Flow over mountain Will92
- 6 : Rossby-Haurwitz Will92
- 11 : Linearized equations - for mode calculation - fsphere
- 12 : Linearized equations - for mode calculation - f variable
- 21 : Galewski et al Barotropically unstable jet with perturbat
- 22 : Galewski et al Barotropically unstable jet without pertur
- 32 : Hollingsworth instability with tc2
- 33 : Hollingsworth instability with constant h and non rotatin
- 34 : Hollingsworth instability with tc2 suppressing nonlineariti
- 35 : Hollingsworth instability with tc2 and non rotationg fram
- 42 : Rotated Steady state localised test on f-sphere
- 51 : Flow over mountain Will92 smooth mountain (Gaussian)
- 56 : Matsuno baroclinic wave - Eastward inertial gravity wave
- 57 : Matsuno baroclinic wave - Rossby wave (Paldor et al 2019)

# Test Case

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## An initial-value problem for testing numerical models of the global shallow-water equations

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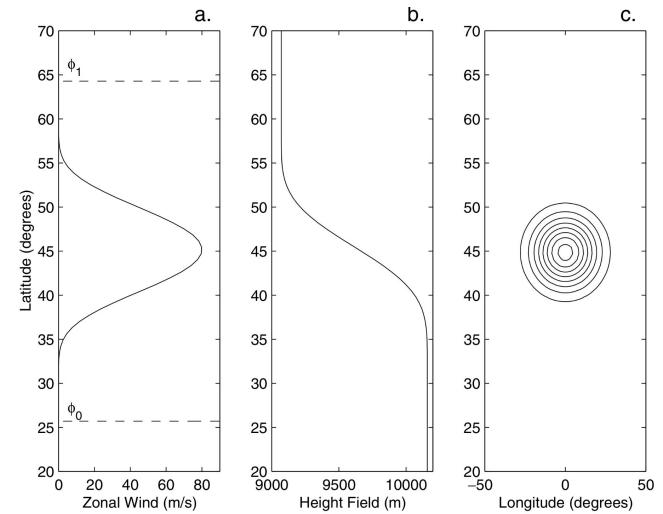
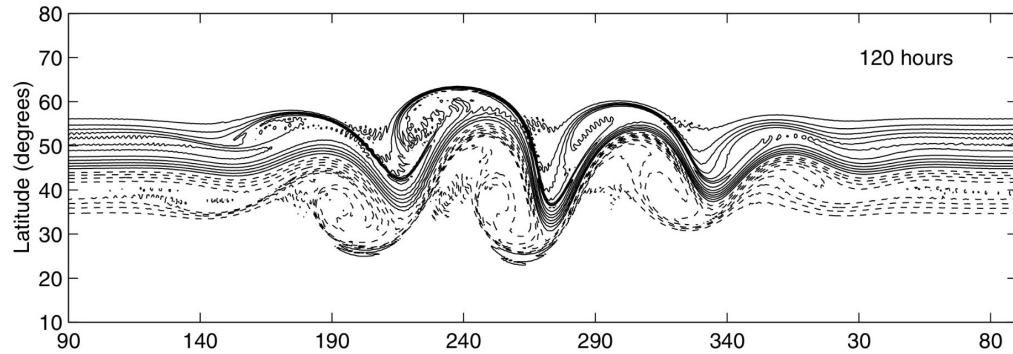


Fig 1. The initial conditions for the new test case. (a) The zonal wind, as defined in eq. (2); (b) the corresponding, balanced height field, calculated using eq. (3); (c) the height field perturbation, as defined in eq. (4), with a contour interval of 10 m; the outermost contour is at 10 m.

# Configuration (par)

swm.par

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1  !Shallow water model parameters file - see below for details
2  !Test case / Test local truncation 0/1 (only possible in some test cases)
3  21 0
4  !Total period definition (ex:12days) / integrations stopping time (5 days)
5  8 8
6  !dt (in sec) / number of time steps (if dt=0) / adjust by grid level 5 (0 or 1)
7  60 0 0
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33 none 0.5
34 !Level model vs layer model (Use PV = 0 , Do not use PV, use just vorticity = 1)
```

Discretization options

HCT = MPAS grid staggering

TRSK = Ringler et 2010 paper  
(basis for MPAS)

# Run

```
○ (imodel) pedrosp@ppeixoto:~/ppdata/Work/Reps/iModel$ ./imodel
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Numerical Analysis on a Geodesical Icosahedral Sphere
```

```
Pedro Peixoto and collaborators
Oct 2018
```

```
Mesh parameters: par/mesh.par
```

```
Loading mesh...
```

```
Mesh      : Read from file icos_pol_scvt_h1_6.xyz
nlat:    730
dlat:  0.0043
Max Quad Triangle intersection:      7
Max Vertices Neighbours:           6
Min Max Mean Vertice Distances (degrees):  0.8728  1.1435  1.0806
```

```
Mesh loaded.
```

```
Mesh created or loaded: icos_pol_scvt_h1_6
```

# Outputs

Shallow Water Model parameters (file): par/swm.par

```

Test Case (Will1994)      : 21
Integration period (dys) : 8.000000000000000
Stopping time (dys)      : 8.000000000000000
dt (sec)                  : 60.000000000000000
Number of timesteps       : 11520
Staggering                : HTC
Method wrapper             : trsk10
Scalar interpolation        : trsk
Vector recon method        : trsk
Coriolis recon method      : trsk
Gradient method            : trsk
Area method                : geo
Hollingsworth depth        : 2.000000000000000
PV stabilization mtd       : none
Using layer model (with PV)

```

SWM Name for Plots: swm\_tc21\_dt60\_HTC\_trsk10\_areageo

There is no reference file to read

CFL: 6.1821640109593814E-004

Plotting scalarfield ( with neartry );

~~data/swm\_tc21\_dt60\_HTC\_trsk10\_areageo\_h\_t0\_icos\_pol\_scvt\_h1\_6.dat~~

~~Plotting scalarfield ( with neartrc ):~~

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~~Plotting scalarfield ( with neartrv ):~~

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( Plotting scalarfield ( with neartrc ):

[data/swm\\_tc21\\_dt60\\_HIC\\_trsk10\\_areageo\\_pv\\_t0\\_icos\\_pol\\_scvt\\_h1\\_6.dat](#)

Plotting scalarfield ( with heartred ):

~~data/swm\_tc21\_dt60\_HIC\_trsk10\_areageo\_pv\_ed\_t0\_icos\_pot\_scvt\_h1\_b.dat~~

~~Plotting scalar field ( with heartrv ):~~  
data (sum, t=21, dt=60, UTC, track10, process = 1)

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## Fields for plotting

# Outputs

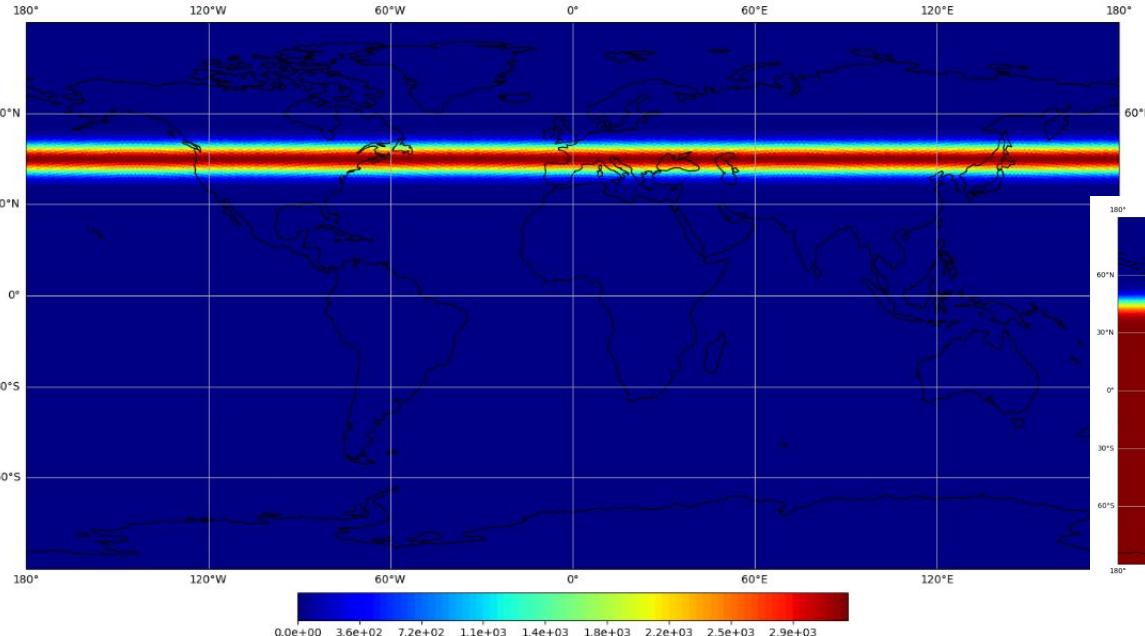
## Time evolution

n	mvdist	tcase	k	nt	dt(s)	time(dys)	mass	Penergy	Kenergy	Tenergy	Avalenergy	RMSdiv
40962	1.081	21	0	5760	120.0000	0.0000	0.100003E+05	0.616985E+10	0.187217E+08	0.618857E+10	0.267654E+08	0.000000E+00
40962	1.081	21	1	5760	120.0000	0.0014	-0.145514E-14	-0.255051E-08	0.837500E-06	-0.917727E-11	-0.212189E-08	0.436689E-07
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40962	1.081	21	360	5760	120.0000	0.5000	-0.236461E-14	0.588133E-06	-0.193819E-03	0.106368E-10	0.245653E-08	0.195019E-06
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40962	1.081	21	600	5760	120.0000	0.8333	0.125506E-13	-0.116392E-06	0.383602E-04	0.743668E-11	0.171520E-08	0.194378E-06
40962	1.081	21	660	5760	120.0000	0.9167	0.327407E-14	-0.146626E-06	0.483237E-04	0.701475E-11	0.161828E-08	0.194849E-06
40962	1.081	21	720	5760	120.0000	1.0000	0.118230E-13	0.167361E-06	-0.551524E-04	0.718195E-11	0.166157E-08	0.195642E-06

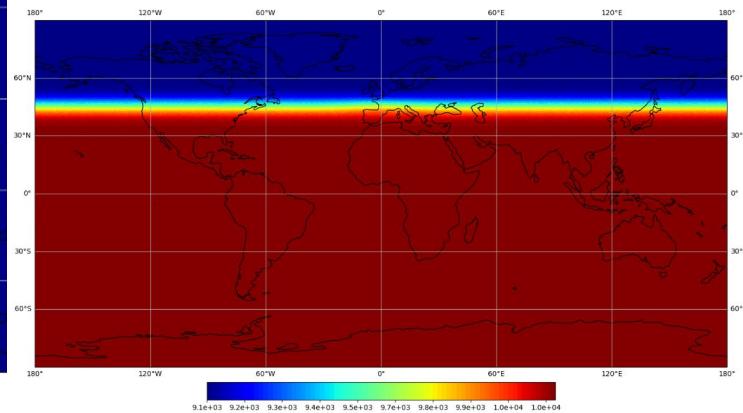
# Plots

## Initial conditions

### Kinetic Energy



Depth

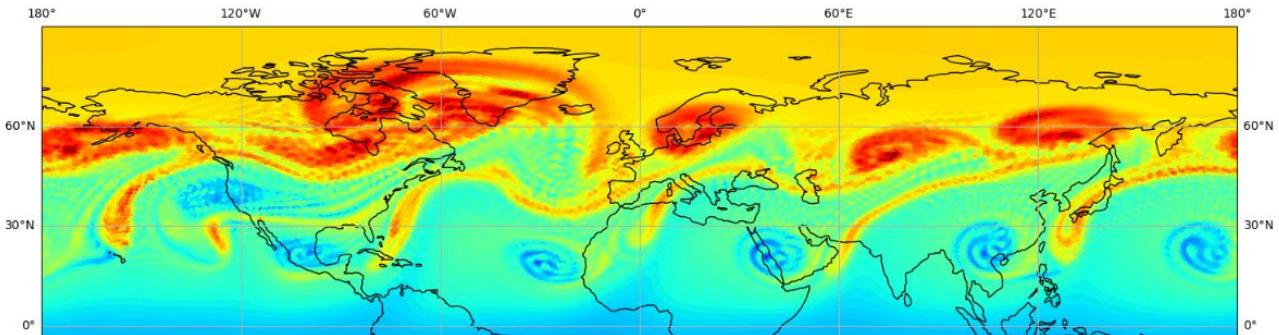


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• (imodel) pedrosp@ppeixoto:~/ppdata/Work/Reps/imodel/pyscripts$ python3 plot_scalar_field.py ../data/swm_tc21_dt120_HTC_trsk10_areageo_Kenergy_t0_icos_pol_scvt_h1_6.dat  
Figure has been saved in ../data/..../graphs/swm_tc21_dt120_HTC_trsk10_areageo_Kenergy_t0_icos_pol_scvt_h1_6.dat.png
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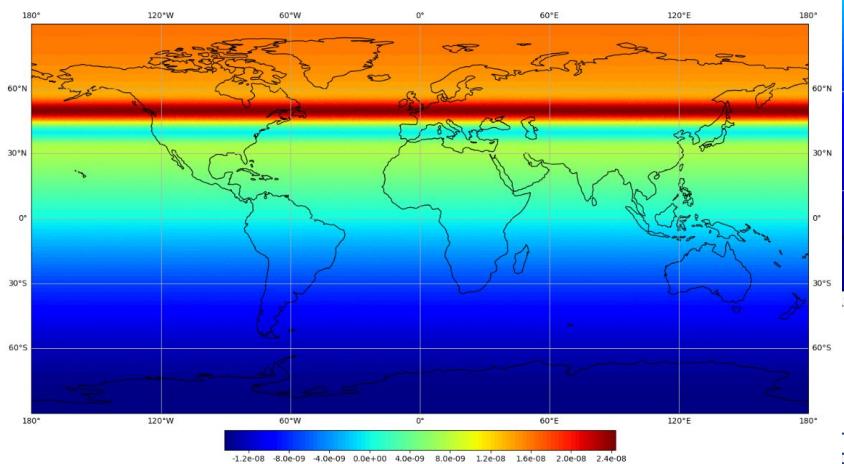
# Plots

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(imodel) pedrosp@ppeixoto:~/ppdata/Work/Reps/iModel/pyscripts$
```

PV 8 days



PV Init



# Code

Key features :  
(simpler to understand iModel than MPAS)

- Grid data structure:

<https://github.com/pedrospeixoto/iModel/blob/master/src/datastruct.f90>

- Time integration:

<https://github.com/pedrospeixoto/iModel/blob/master/src/swm.f90>

- FV operators:

[https://github.com/pedrospeixoto/iModel/blob/master/src/swm\\_operators.f90](https://github.com/pedrospeixoto/iModel/blob/master/src/swm_operators.f90)

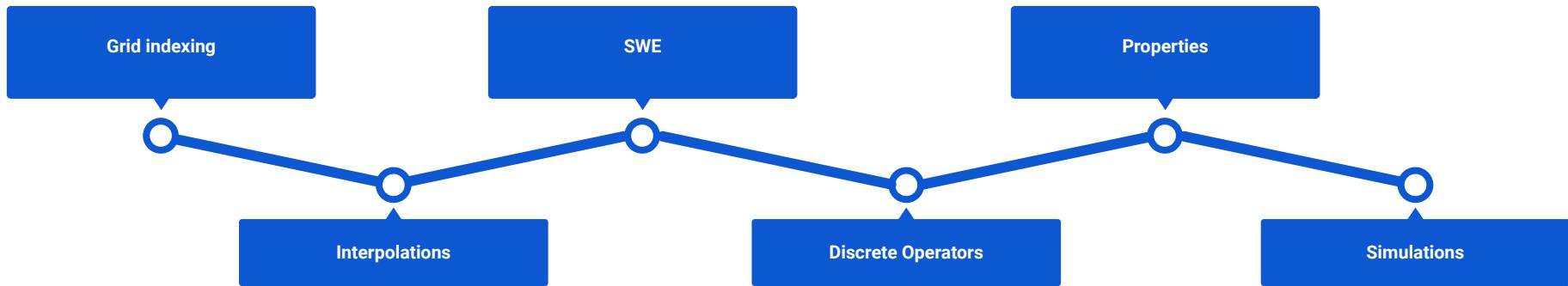
## Discrete Divergence (with OpenMP Parallelism)

$$D_i = \frac{1}{A_i} \sum_e h_e u_e n_{ei} l_e$$

```
!$omp parallel do &
!$omp default(None) &
!$omp shared(mesh, u, div) &
!$omp shared(useStagHTC, useStagHC, useTiledAreas ) &
!$omp private(j, l, signcor) &
!$omp schedule(static)
do i=1, mesh%nv
    !Divergence of uh on unit sphere using div_cell_Cgrid
    !For all edges forming the hexagon
    div%f(i)=0._r8
    do j=1, mesh%v(i)%nnb
        !Get edge index
        l=mesh%v(i)%ed(j)
        !Get edge outer normal related to the hexagon
        if(useStagHTC)then
            signcor=real(mesh%hx(i)%ttgout(j), r8)
        elseif(useStagHC)then
            signcor=real(mesh%hx(i)%nr(j), r8)
        end if
        !Calculate numerical integration
        !lengths are multiplied by erad, and area by erad**2, therefore /erad
        div%f(i)=div%f(i)+signcor*u%f(l)*mesh%edhx(l)%leng
        !divu%f(i)=divu%f(i)+signcor*u%f(l)*mesh%edhx(l)%leng
    end do
    if(useTiledAreas)then
        div%f(i)=div%f(i)/mesh%hx(i)%areat/erad
    else
        div%f(i)=div%f(i)/mesh%hx(i)%areag/erad
    end if
    !divu%f(i)=divu%f(i)/mesh%hx(i)%areag/erad
    !divuh%f(i)=div_cell_Cgrid(i,uh,mesh)/erad
end do
!$omp end parallel do
```

# Overview

Today's class:



# Today's activity

## iModel Simulation

Main goal:

Learn the processing steps in a simpler environment

Main steps:

- Install/Make
- Set parameter files
- Run
- Post-process

**Shallow Water Equation  
Simulation!**

**Remark:** MPAS has a Shallow Water Model in the repository. I have never tested it and prefer to use imodel. You could give the SW-MPAS code a try if you wish!

# Today's activity

## iModel Simulation

What to do?

1. Convert a grid generated with Jigsaw to xyz grid using the utility:  
MPAS-BR/grids/utilities/convert\_nc\_grid\_to\_xyz  
(if you have issues, download a grid from here: <https://pedrosp.ime.usp.br/grids/swm/>)
2. Configure iModel to read this grid and run the shallow water test case 21 - unstable jet test case
3. Plot the potential vorticity at day 7

Hand in:

1. An image of the grid used (a grid representation or resolution plot)
2. An image of the PV at day 7 from your simulation

Caution!

1. The test case is dynamically unstable and requires a relatively high global resolution (~30km or less)

# That is all for today...

"All models are wrong, but some are useful"

— George Box

More at: [www.ime.usp.br/~pedrosp](http://www.ime.usp.br/~pedrosp)

Thanks!

