# **ISSM Coulomb Model Description**

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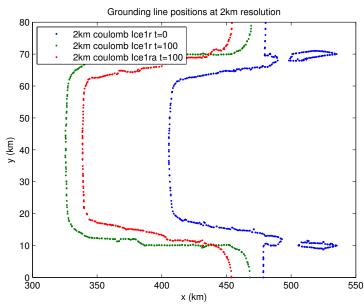
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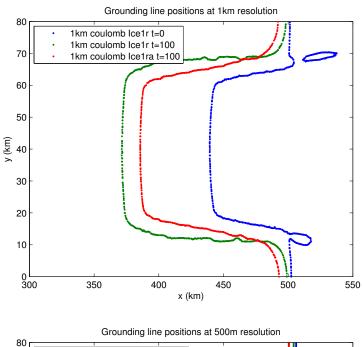
- 1. Model name: Ice Sheet System Model [Larour et al., 2012]
- 2. Stress balance approximation: 2d Shallow Shelf Approximation (SSA, *MacAyeal* [1989]),  $A = 2.010^{-17} Pa^{-3}a^{-1}$
- 3. Basal friction: Coulomb friction law [Tsai et al., 2015] with  $\alpha = 0.5$  and  $\beta = 1.010^4 Pa^{1/3}a^{1/3}$
- 4. Spatial discretisation: finite element with triangular mesh, uniform 1 km unstructured mesh
- 5. Time discretization: semi-implicit with  $\Delta t = 0.25 \text{ yr}$
- 6. Grounding line: position based on hydrostatic equilibrium, sub-element parameterization of grounding line position (SEP1 in *Seroussi et al.* [2014])
- 7. MISMIP3d: HSE improved with sub-element grounding line parameterization

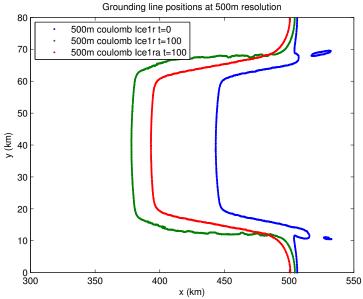
# **Convergence study**

# **Grounding line position**

Grounding line position at the begining of experiment Ice1r, end of experiment Ice1r and 100 into experiment Ice1ra. Results are show for uniform meshes with a spatial resolution of 2 km, 1 km and 500 m.

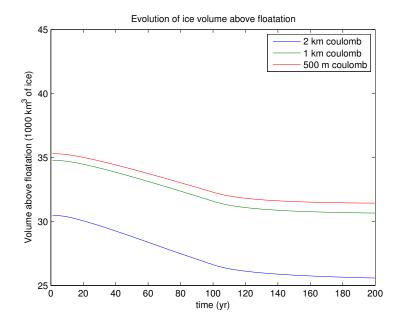






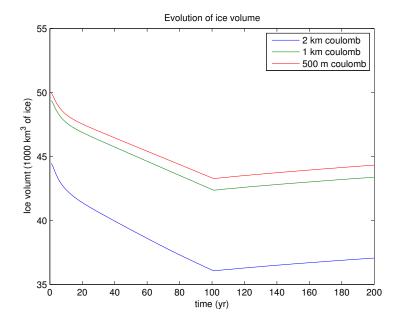
### **Volume above floatation**

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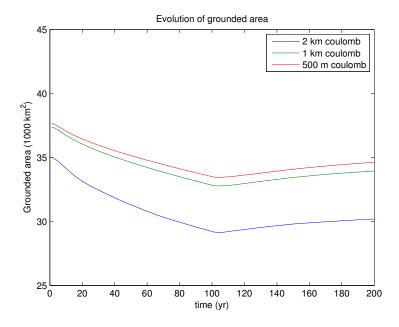
#### **Ice volume**

Evolution of ice volume with for experiment Ice1r (first 100 years) and experiment Ice1ra (last 100 years) for the three mesh resolution.



#### Grounded area

Evolution of grounded area with for experiment Ice1r (first 100 years) and experiment Ice1ra (last 100 years) for the three mesh resolution.



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