# Using MOM6

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### Outline

- "Using MOM6"
  - "Where to start?"
- Every application is unique
  - Sometimes requires custom code specific to that one configuration
- Building new configurations
  - Best to start from working example

- Getting code/compiling/running
- 2. Controlling
  - Parameters
  - Diagnostics
- 3. Examples
  - Places to start
- 4. Model/repository structure

**ORDINATION** 

# "Getting started" (Cloning, compiling, running)

- "MOM6 wiki"
  - https://github.com/NOAA-GFDL/MOM6-examples/wiki
  - (first result on google)
- Instructions for
  - Cloning (obtaining code)
  - Compiling (fairly portable)
  - Running (fairly standard)
- User-contributed

- Instructions assume some familiarity with linux & models
- Best limited to stand-alone ocean-only configurations
  - Coupled models are so much more complicated
- Does not cover working within an environment like GFDL's FRE or CESM's CIME
  - just low-level basics

# Model input: run-time parameters

Parameter syntax is key, value pairs

$$KH = 25.$$

Self-documenting runs

```
815 KH = 25.0 ! [m2 s-1] default = 0.0
816 ! The background Laplacian horizontal viscosity.
```

Simple API

```
call get_param(param_file, mdl, "KH", Kh, &

"The background Laplacian horizontal viscosity.", &

units = "m2 s-1", default=0.0, scale=US%m_to_L**2*US%T_to_s)
```

- MOM6 always writes out
  - MOM\_parameter\_doc.all (everything)
  - MOM\_parameter\_doc.short (non-defaults)

- Bootstrapped parameter parser
  - namelist in input.nml

- Typical setup
  - Baseline uses blank MOM\_override
  - Perturbation runs concisely contained in MOM override
- Lots of error checking

# Parallel decomposition

Reported in MOM\_parameter\_doc.layout

```
! default = 4
     NIHALO = 4
                       ! The number of halo points on each side in the x-direction. With
                       ! STATIC_MEMORY_ this is set as NIHALO_ in MOM_memory.h at compile time; without
                       ! STATIC_MEMORY_ the default is NIHALO_ in MOM_memory.h (if defined) or 2.
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     NJHALO = 4
                       ! default = 4
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                       ! The number of halo points on each side in the y-direction. With
                       ! STATIC MEMORY this is set as NJHALO in MOM memory.h at compile time; without
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                       ! STATIC_MEMORY_ the default is NJHALO_ in MOM_memory.h (if defined) or 2.
    NIPROC = 2
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                       ! The number of processors in the x-direction. With STATIC_MEMORY_ this is set
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                       ! in MOM_memory.h at compile time.
    NJPROC = 4
34
                       ! The number of processors in the y-direction. With STATIC_MEMORY_ this is set
                       ! in MOM memory.h at compile time.
     LAYOUT = 2, 4
                       ! The processor layout that was actually used.
    IO_LAYOUT = 1, 1 ! default = 1
                       ! The processor layout to be used, or 0,0 to automatically set the io_layout to
39
                       ! be the same as the layout.
```

- Bitwise reproduces across layout
- Optimal tile size ~ 12x12-30x30
  - Tile size =
     NIGLOBAL/NIPROC, NJGLOBAL/NJPROC
  - Halos ~3-4 most typically needed
  - Parameters NIHALO, NJHALO
  - Without high-order advection and certain choices of time-stepping
  - Tile dimensions should be >= NIHALO, NJHALO
- Tiles may not be uniform!
  - Different sized tiles are allowed

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#### Restarts

- Many runs take longer than a single job submission
- Bitwise reproducibility across a restart boundary
- Online time-averaged diagnostics are not included in restarts
  - handled by FMS framework

- Input data usually read from INPUT/
- Diagnostic output is in current directory
- Restart files generally written to RESTART/
- Restart files are read from INPUT/

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# Controlling diagnostics

- FMS diag\_manager parses diag\_table
- File definition

```
"ocean daily",
                         1, "days", 1, "days", "time"
"ocean month snap",
                         1, "months", 1, "days", "time"
                         1, "months", 1, "days", "time"
"ocean month",
                         1, "months", 1, "days", "time"
"ocean month z",
"ocean annual",
                        12, "months", 1, "days", "time"
"ocean annual z",
                        12, "months", 1, "days", "time"
                         1, "months", 1, "days", "time"
"ocean scalar month",
"ocean scalar annual",
                        12, "months", 1, "days", "time"
                         -1, "months", 1, "days", "time"
"ocean static",
```

Variable lists per file/module

```
    MOM6 wraps diag_manager
```

- Registers same diagnostic in multiple vertical coordinates, multiple names, xy-averages
- Available diagnostics written by MOM6 at run-time

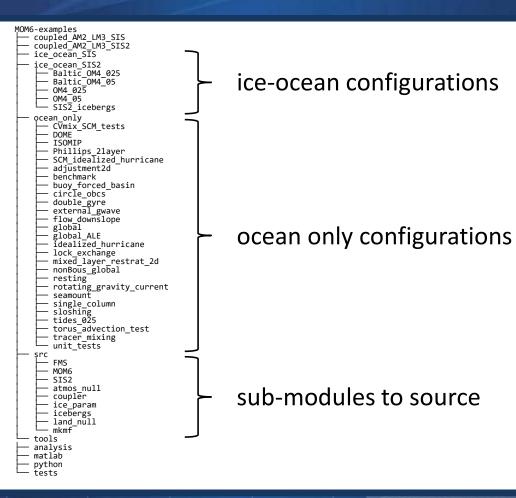
```
available diags.0000
```

Regional diagnostics

```
"ocean model",
                  "thetao",
                                   "thetao",
                                                       "ocean annual",
                                                                               "all", "mean", "none", 2 # if use pre-TEOS10
#"ocean model",
                  "thetao",
                                   "thetao",
                                                       "ocean month",
                                                                               "all", "mean", "none", 2 # if use pre-TEOS10
 "ocean model z", "thetao",
                                   "thetao",
                                                       "ocean annual z",
                                                                               "all", "mean", "none", 2 # if use pre-TEOS10
 "ocean model z", "thetao",
                                                                               "all", "mean", "none", 2 # if use pre-TEOS10
                                   "thetao",
                                                       "ocean month z",
 "ocean model z", "thetao xyave",
                                  "thetao xyave",
                                                       "ocean annual z",
                                                                               "all", "mean", "none",2 # if use pre-TEOS10
```

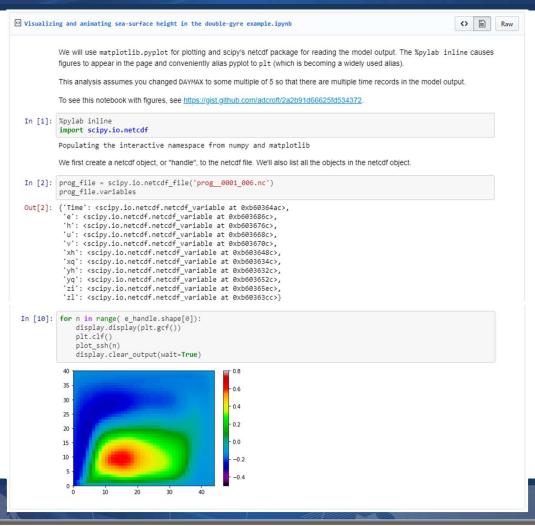


### MOM6-examples



- double\_gyre
  - Wind driven gyre using stacked shallow water equations
- Phillips\_2layer
  - Idealized channel model
- flow\_downslope
  - adjustment problem over topography using different coordinates
- OM\_05
  - 1/2° ice-ocean global model

# ocean\_only/double\_gyre



- jupyter notebook
  - (sorry about rainbow colormap)
  - This one uses matplotlib and scipy
- Much more needs to be added
  - Notebook for other exampels
  - Others use netCDF4 instead of scipy
  - Will add xarray, seaborn examples
- Very much NOT advocating for one analysis system/style

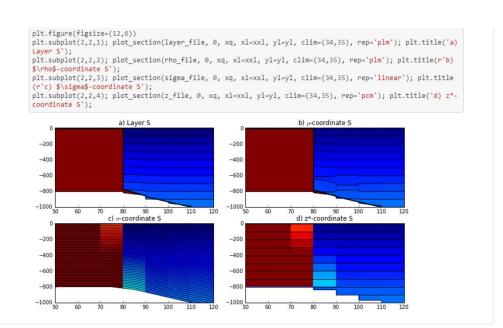


# ocean only/flow\_downslope



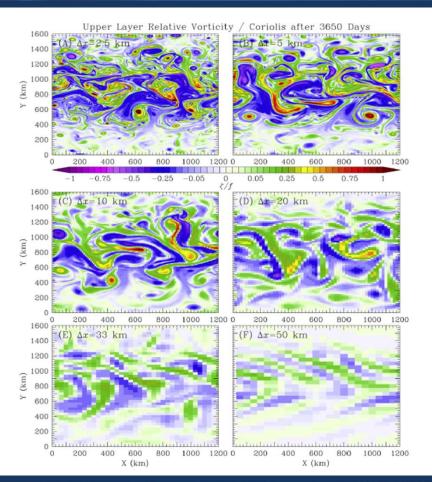
CAVEAT: This is a tutorial of how to make vertical section plots which also illustrates some poor ways to plot data for comparison. Read through to the end.

○ Understanding native output data from MOM6.ipynb

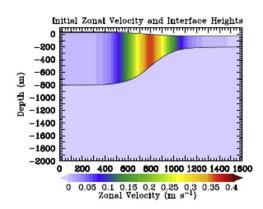


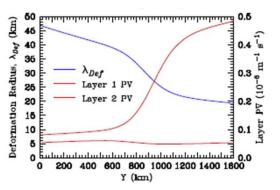
- 2d density current
- Notebook is a treatise on how plotting in the vertical can go wrong
  - Idea is to explain how the model stores data in the vertical
    - ... and how to look at the vertical in native space

# ocean\_only/Phillips\_2layer



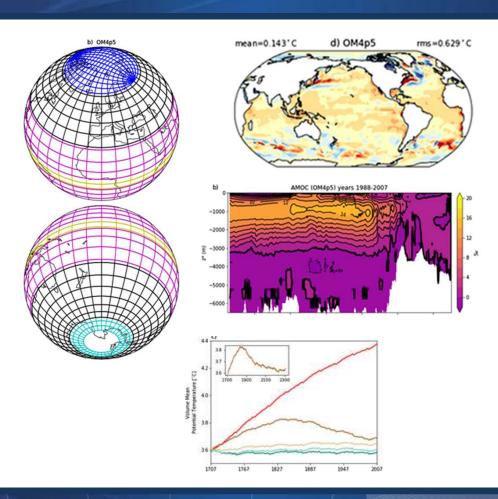
- Hallberg, 2013
- Idealized zonal channel
  - Customized forcing
- No jupyter notebooks yet
  - plots were done with Ferret





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# ice\_ocean\_SIS2/OM4\_05

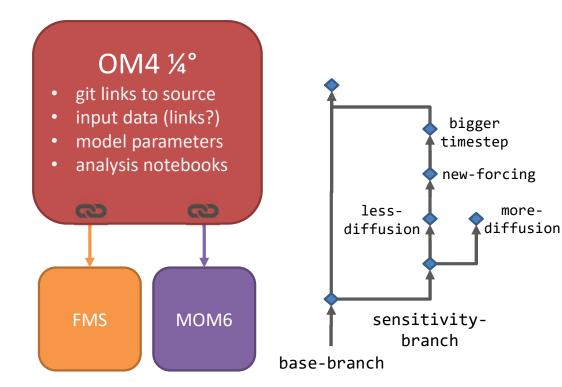


- ½° global ice-ocean model
  - Uses GFDL SIS2 sea-ice model and GFDL coupler
- Uses GFDL vertical physics
  - ePBL, JHL, ...
- Non-eddying (coarse resolution)
- Uses GM and neutral-diffusion parameterizations

Adcroft et al., 2019

### Experiment oriented repositories

- Using a repository for experiment development
  - treating configurations like code
- No new tools (just git)
- Provides history of experiment design
  - Recoverable / reproducible
- Used in other workflows
  - e.g. Payu, ROMS





# Repository organization (experiment suites)

 Layered repositories using submodules

Regression results

Output from regression tests

Platform dependent

Records specific version of configurations

Configurations

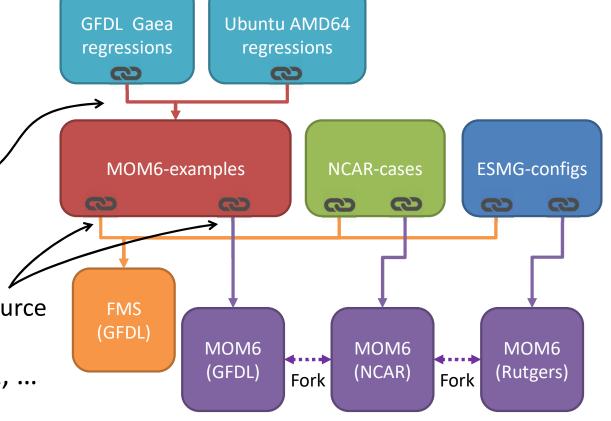
• Input files (parameters)

• Records specific versions of source

Including URLs (for forks)

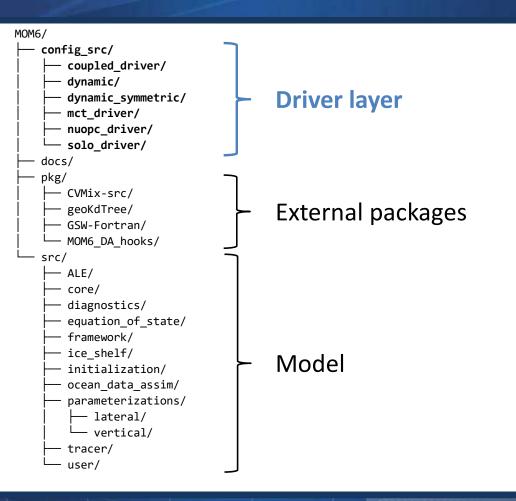
Source for MOM6, FMS, SIS2, ...

Pure source code (+ packages)





# Code tree: driver layer



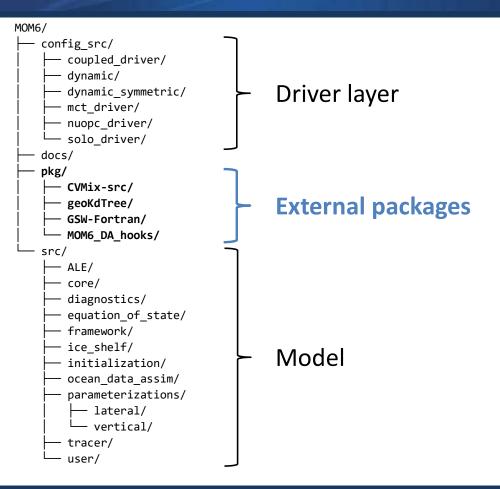
### config\_src/

- Selectively compiled
  - NCAR coupled mode:
     nuopc\_driver + dynamic
  - Stand-alone ocean model
     solo\_driver + dynamic
- Alternative version of same code e.g.

dynamic or dynamic\_symmetric

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# Code tree: external packages

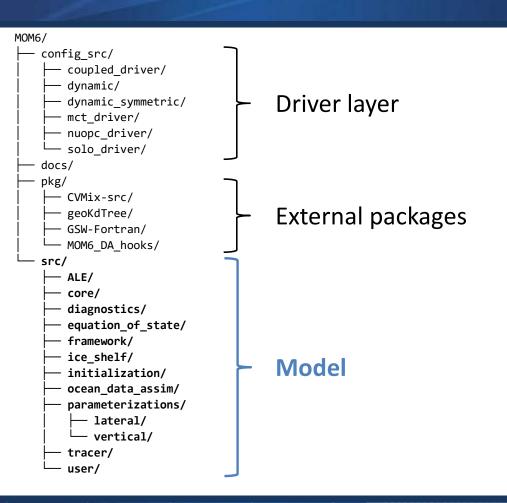


### pkg/

- Not compiled in place
- Symbolic links to required source live under src/ and point to pkg/
  - External packages often contain more than source and not all source compiles!
- Each package is a git submodule
  - using specific commit hash

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### Code tree: main model



#### src/

- Code for solving equations of motion, tracers, diagnostics, etc.
- Always compiled
- No CPP macros except for MEMORY and GRID macros
  - the few existing exceptions will be removed one day

### Code tree: main model

```
MOM6/
    src/
       - ALE/

    Vertical remapping

        core/
                                  Dynamic core (momentum, continuity)
        diagnostics/

    Some collective diagnostic

         equation of state/

    Five equations of state

         framework/

    Interface to FMS (communications, I/O)

       - initialization/

    Grid/state allocation/initialization

         parameterizations/
            lateral/
                                   Lateral parameterizations
            vertical/

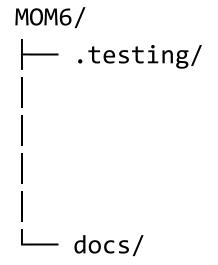
    Vertical parameterizations

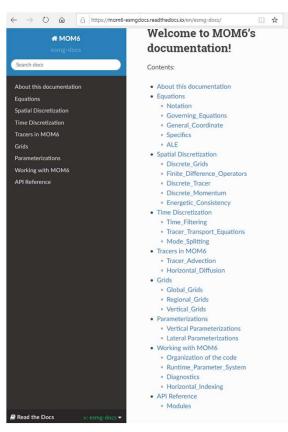
         tracer/
                                   Tracers including parameterizations (Redi)
         user/

    Configuration specific code (forcing/init)
```

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# Code tree: the most important bits





- .testing/
- Continuous integration
  - Runs tests on Travis-Cl (soon also GitHub Actions)
  - Can be used for development

docs/

 Source for documentation hosted at

https://mom6.readthedocs.io

Under dev. by K. Hedstrom

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### Future topics

- Verification and validation of MOM6 contributions
  - Marshall Ward
- Equations and algorithms
  - Bob Hallberg
- Lagrangian remap method
  - Stephen Griffies
- Analysis and tools
  - Raphael Dussin
- Ocean data assimilation interfaces
  - Matthew Harrison

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