MOM6 Panan ice shelf meeting

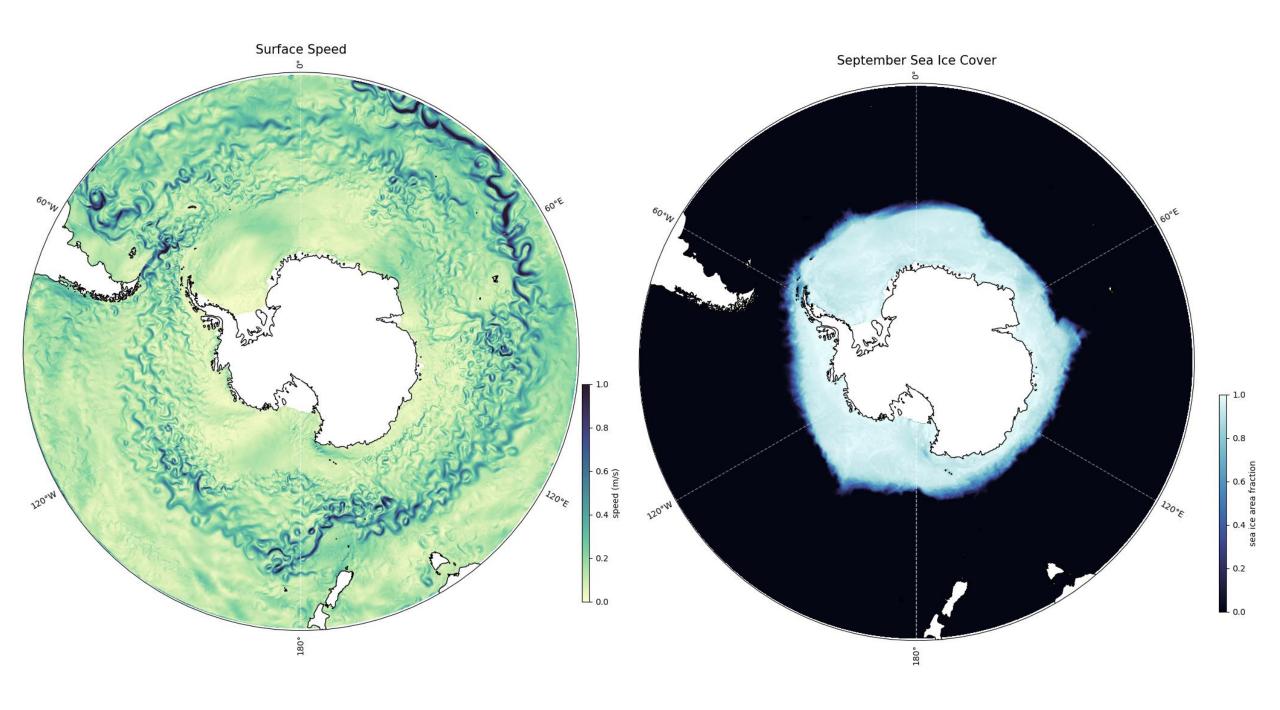
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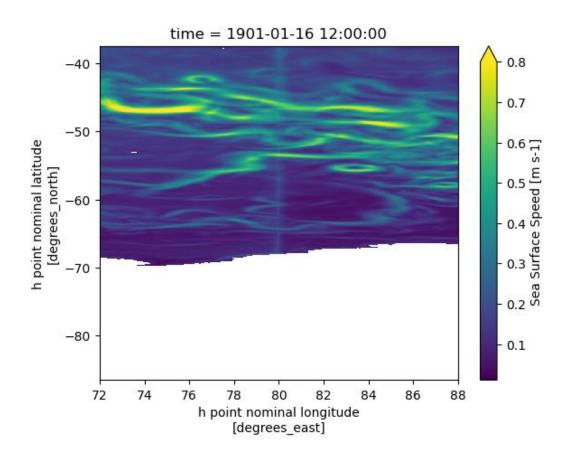
1. No ice shelf panan

- WRIGHT_FULL EOS, initial conditions from OM2 to match boundary forcing see https://github.com/claireyung/mom6-panAn-iceshelf-tools/issues/13
- Run for 8 years on cascade lake
 - Expensive, Edward Yang and Minghang Li have done a great job making this cheaper on sapphire rapids! Thank you!
 https://github.com/claireyung/access-om3-configs/pull/1
- New sim and parameters need to evaluate <u>https://github.com/claireyung/mom6-panAn-iceshelf-tools/issues/15</u>

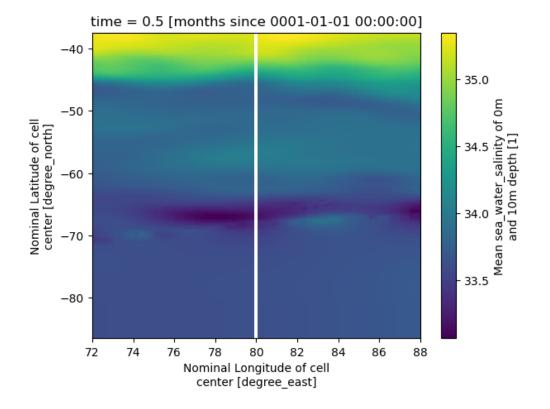


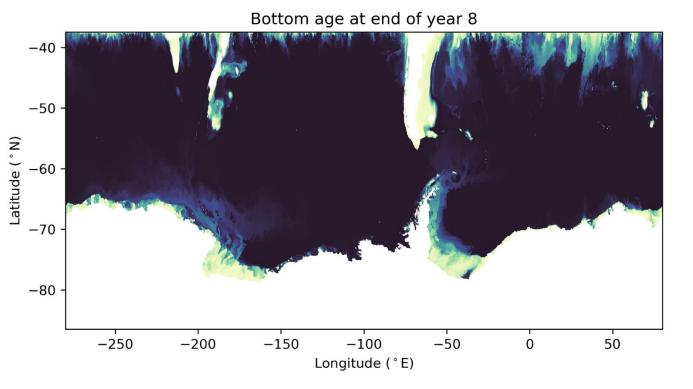
One problem found already yesterday....

Surface speed at x=-280,80 boundary has E-W boundary imprint

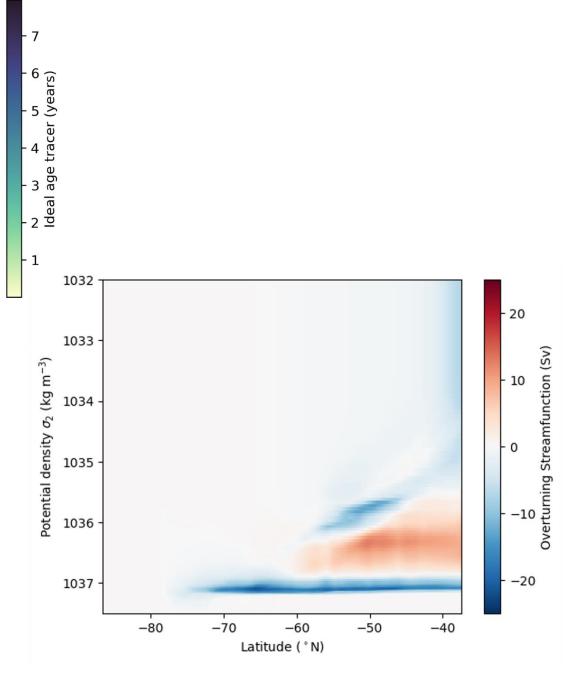


Caused by NaN in surface salinity restoring file 🖰





- Evaluation hackathon coming
- Do I rerun with the fixed SSS restoring before then or leave it?
- Am I missing any diagnostics needed for evaluation?



2. Initialising ice shelf in ACCESS-OM3

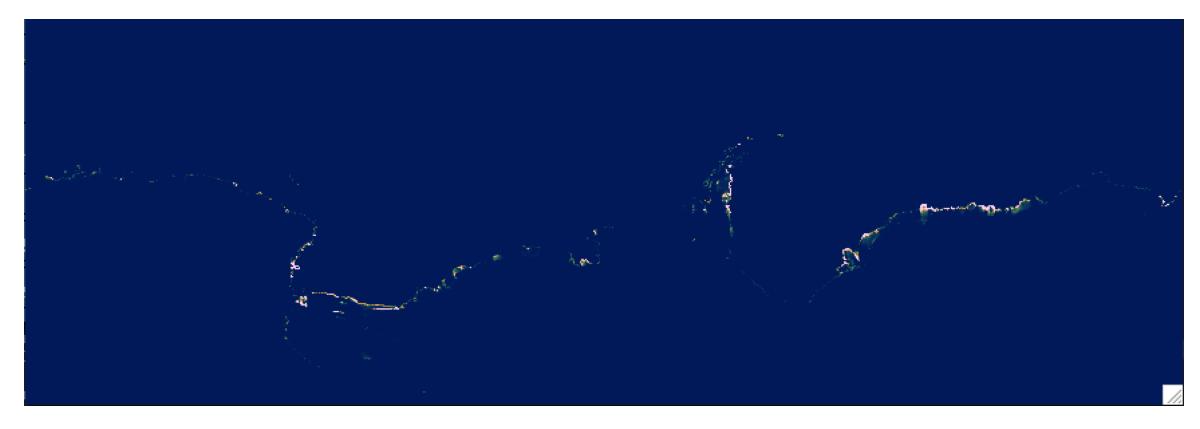
- Debugged it to find a parameter was missing in input.nml that ice shelf initialisation needs (input_filename = 'n')
- In the process Dougie and others created a new spack OM3 executable with updated MOM6 codebase
- After this: segfaults and bus errors and cryptic esmf errors 😊
 - -> set up a MOM6-SIS2 config where MOM errors won't be masked.

3. Layer mode crash

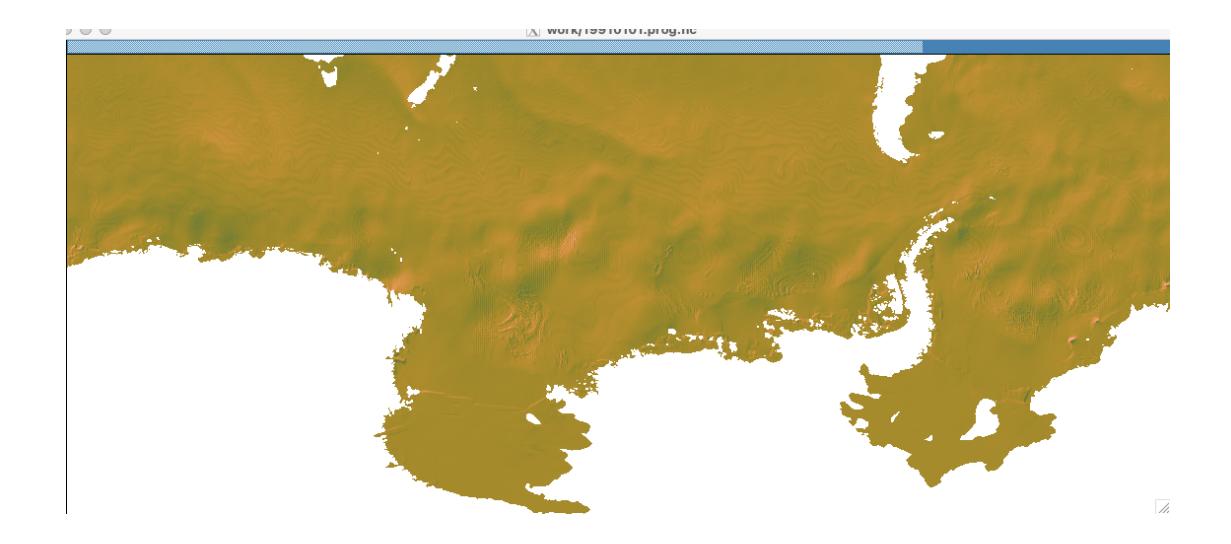
- Managed to run layer mode panan ice shelf with MOM6-SIS2 for ~2 hours model time
- Instability forms NaNs crash

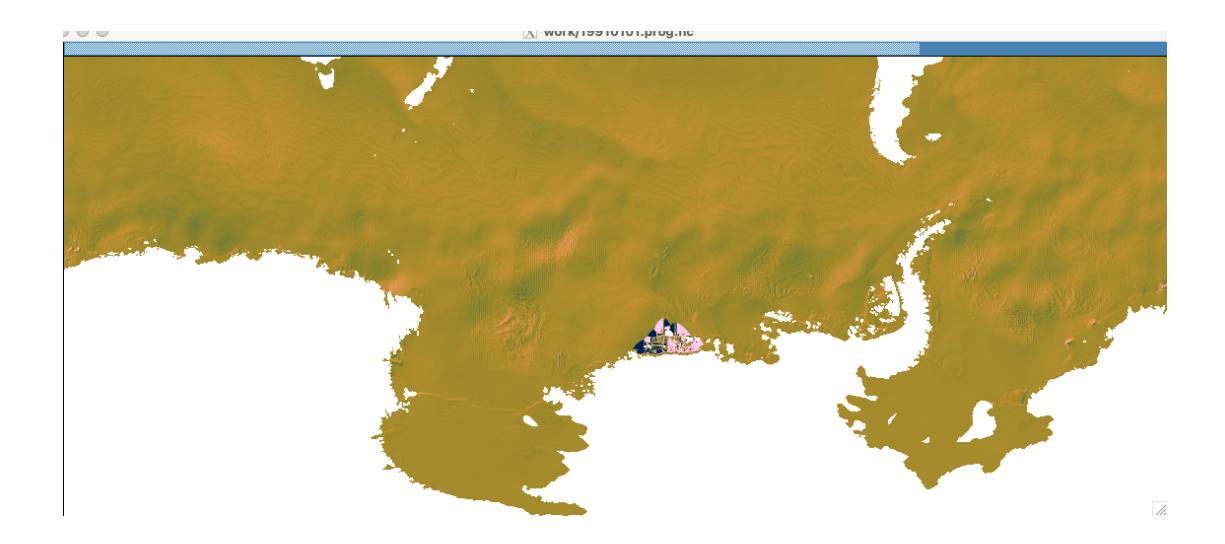
• Required: small timestep (espec. barotropic timestep needed to be updated), some of Olga's params e.g. harmonic viscosity

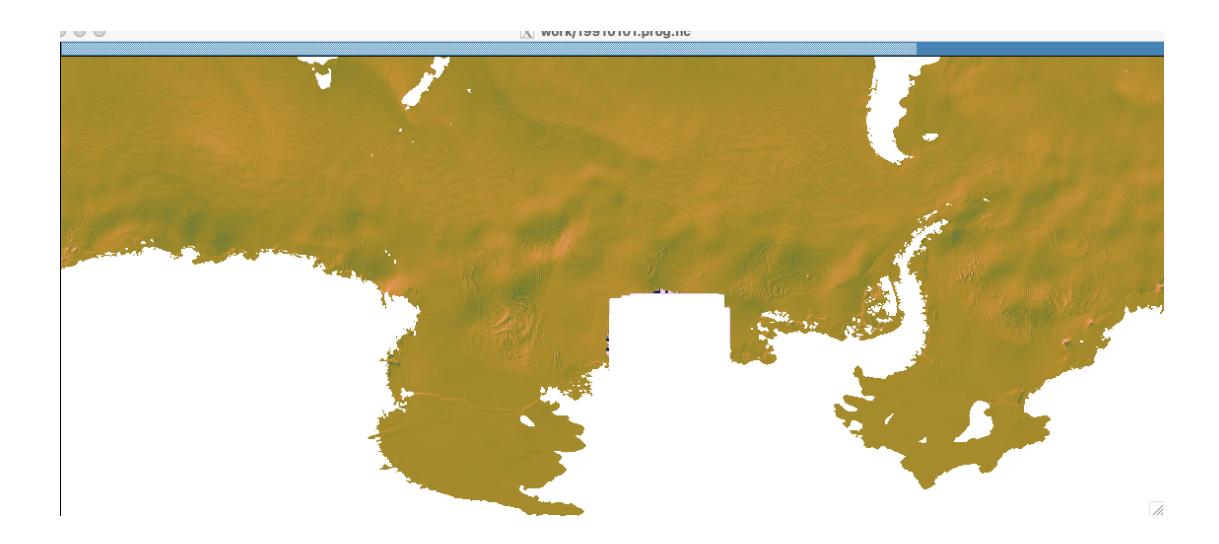
Melt rate at t=2h

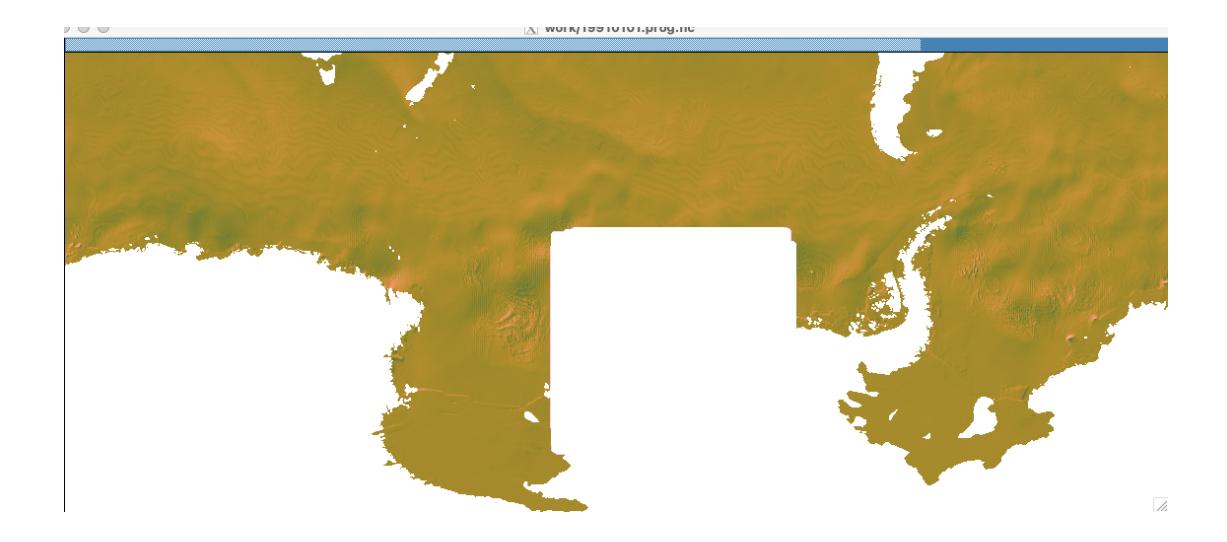


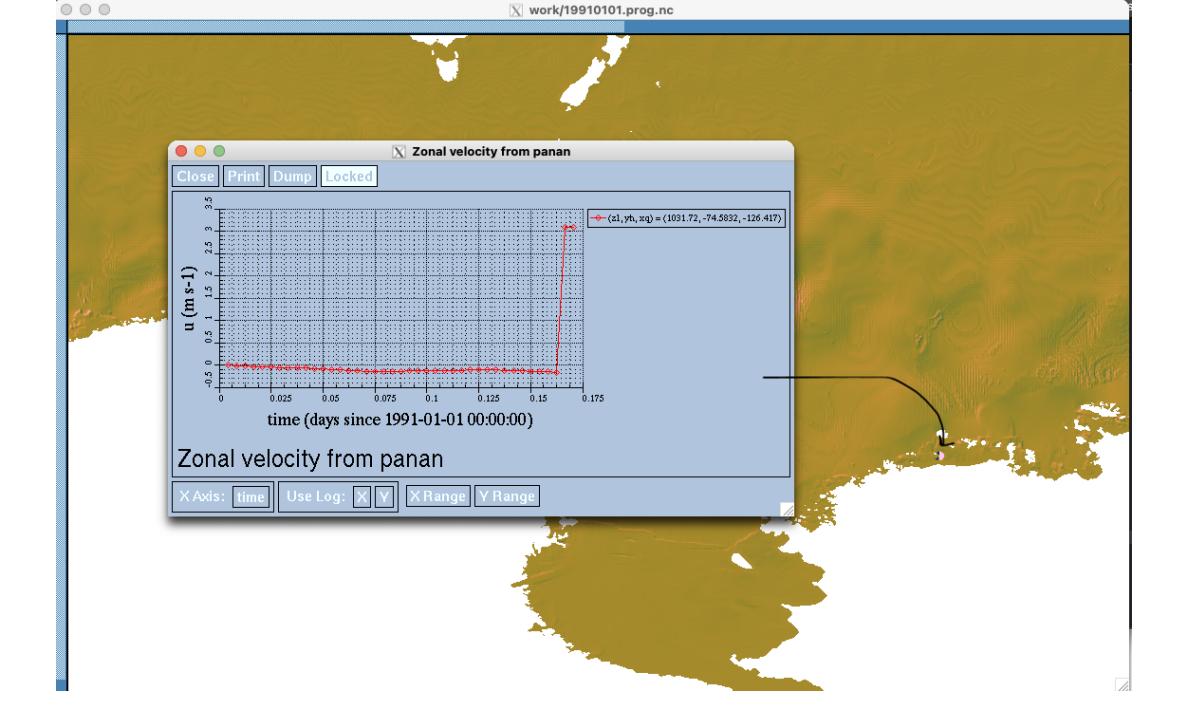
Melt rate at ice fronts where there are velocities



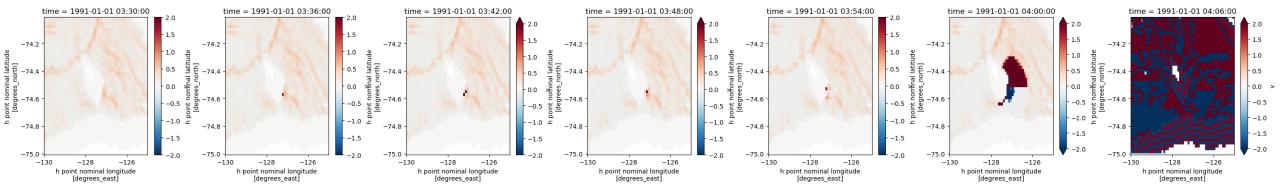








Flow into vanished layer -> instability



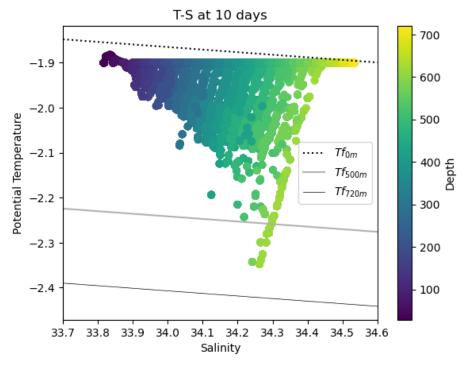
Remove grounding line

• Removed grounding line so that minimum ocean thickness is 5m

• This runs slightly longer but still crashes after ~6h.

4. Melt crash in z coords (flux through vanished layers)

- https://github.com/claireyung/mom6-panAn-iceshelf-tools/issues/5
- KD important plus pressure gradient fixes
- ISOMIP+ z coords runs for 22 days now...



5. Future

- 1. Fix E-W boundary salt restoring, run again (?), evaluation of no ice shelf model
- 3. Find source of instability in layer mode

(e.g. compare to working config, get rid of grounding line (finite ocean thickness), momentum budget)

- 4. z coordinate melt crash beyond 22 days....
- 5. To-dos
 - ALE mode initialisation working with Angus also solved if no GL
 - Turn off runoff in OM3
 - Getting tidal amp and roughness files in cavities