

Technical Talk - PhD Project

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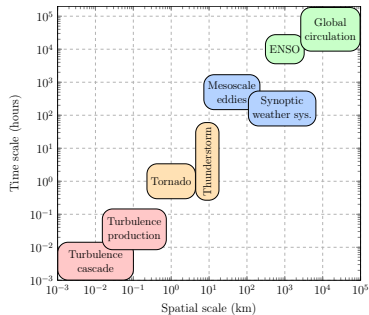
We are solving stochastic PDEs which model ocean-atmosphere interactions!

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Why add stochastic terms?

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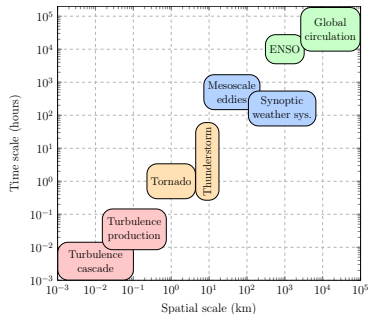


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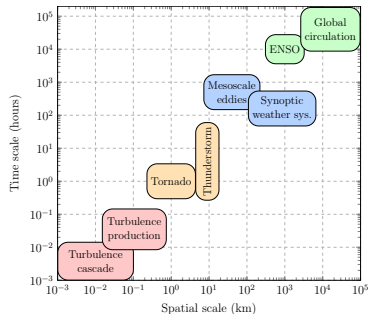
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- ▶ Why **SALT**?
 - ▶ Structure preservation
 - ▶ Better uncertainty quantification skills
 - ▶ Data-driven approach

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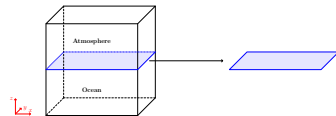
Model equations

2D climate model equations³:

$$\text{Atmosphere : } d\mathbf{u}^a + ((\mathbf{u}^a dt + \sum_i \xi_i \circ dW^i) \cdot \nabla) \mathbf{u}^a + \frac{1}{Ro^a} \hat{\mathbf{z}} \times (\mathbf{u}^a dt + \sum_i \xi_i \circ dW^i) \\ + \sum_i (u_1^a \nabla \xi_{i,1} + u_2^a \nabla \xi_{i,2}) \circ dW^i = (-\frac{1}{C^a} \nabla \theta + \frac{1}{Re^a} \Delta \mathbf{u}^a) dt,$$

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Model domain

\mathbf{u} : velocity, θ : temperature

p : pressure

Re : Reynolds number

Pe : Péclet number

Ro : Rossby number

σ, γ : coupling coefficients

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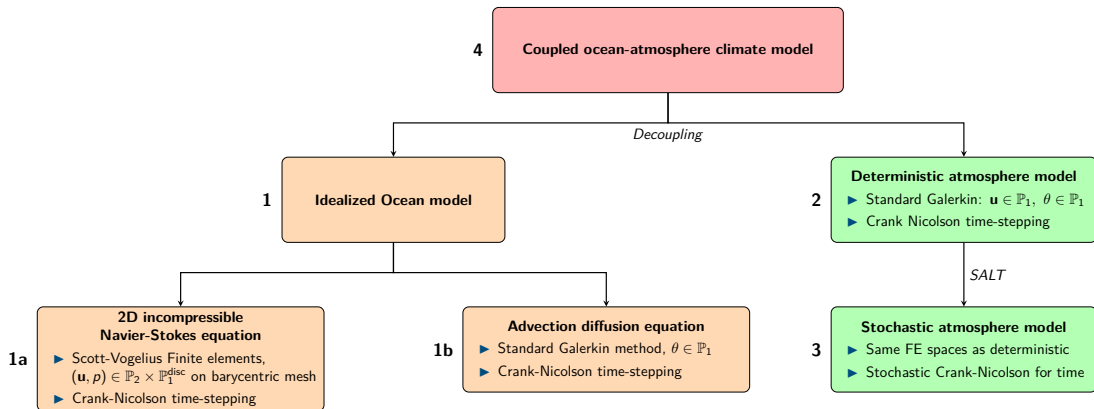
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- ▶ **We use synthetic data!**

Our methodology



We used an open-source Python Finite Element package for numerical implementation and simulation

Numerical simulation of the climate model

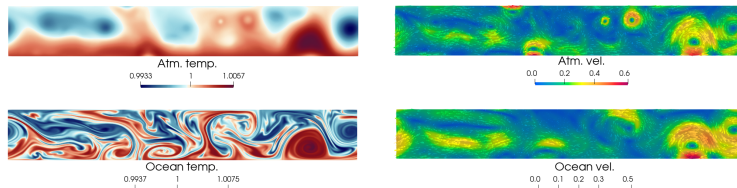
Deterministic model simulation and model calibration

- We run the climate model in high-res. ($\Delta x = 1/128 \sim 30$ km) for 45 time units (~ 25 days)

Initial condition



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At t=45



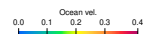
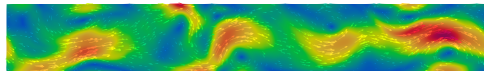
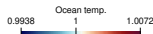
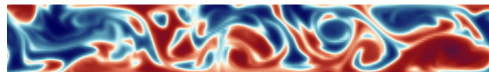
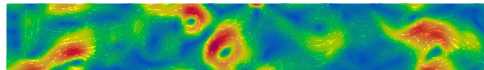
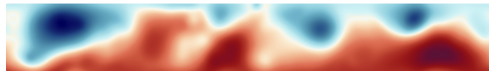
- Analyze data \rightarrow extract small-scale features (using statistical algorithms) \rightarrow obtain ξ_i

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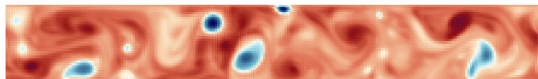
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- ▶ We run the stochastic model on a coarse grid ($\Delta x = 1/32 \sim 120$ km)
- ▶ Initial conditions correspond to coarse grained velocity and temperature fields at $t = 25$



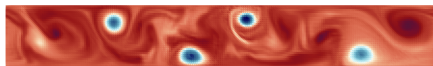
Atmospheric vorticity at $t = 25$



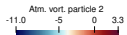
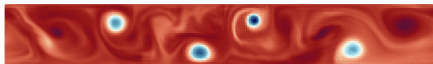
Simulation results

- ▶ Stochastic model is simulated for 20 time units ($t = 25$ to $t = 45$)
- ▶ Stochastic vs. deterministic (without parameterization) model results at $t = 35$

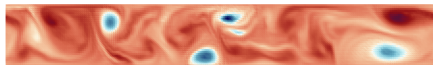
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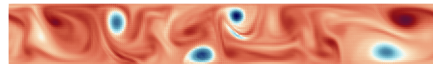
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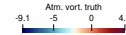
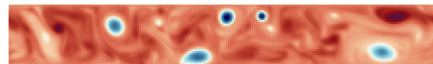
Particle 3



Deterministic solution



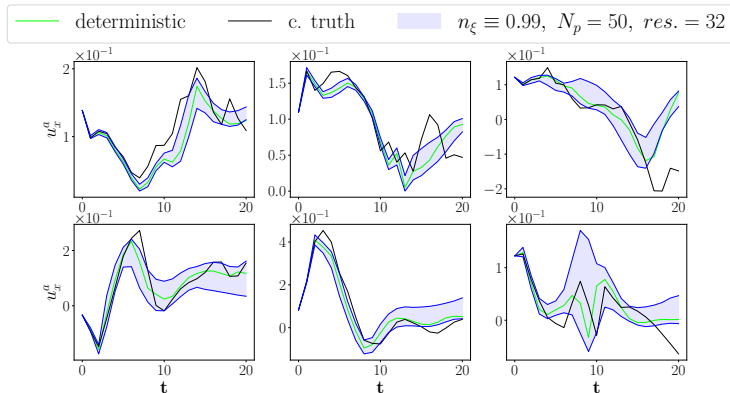
True solution



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- Comparison between the stochastic ($\mu \pm 1\sigma$) and deterministic sol. at 6 grid points:

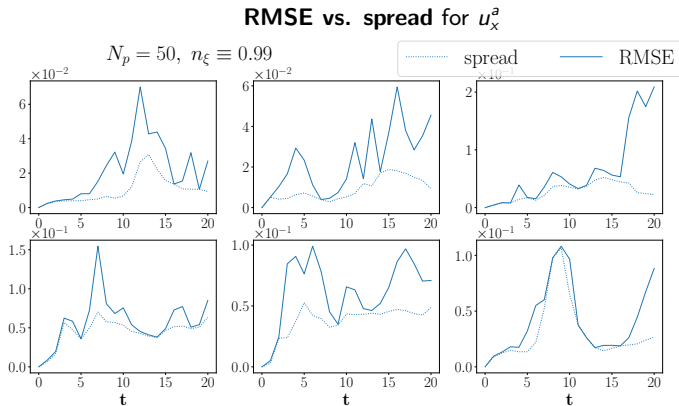
Atmospheric velocity (x component)



1. Ensemble spread increases over time
2. Stochastic model captures the truth for 5 to 10 time units

Uncertainty quantification

- Plots for the evolution of ensemble spread and RMSE at six different locations on the grid



- The size of ensemble spread is proportional to the RMSE (for at least 15 time units)
- Error in the stochastic solution can be estimated by its own spread
 - SPDE solution is suitable for data assimilation methods!

Summary

Summary & outcomes

- ▶ **Aim:** solve a stochastic coupled ocean-atmosphere climate model
- ▶ **Novelty:** Data-driven model
 - ▶ stochastic terms (modelling unresolved processes) are obtained from observation data
 - ▶ has desired properties: structure-preservation
 - ▶ We used high-res. model sim. data to estimate $\xi_i \rightarrow$ data analysis & statistical modelling
- ▶ **Methodology** for solving the model equations:
 - ▶ Solve simpler models first
 - ▶ build the climate model step-by-step
 - ▶ verify numerical schemes at each step
- ▶ **Results:**
 - ▶ Stochastic model solution capture the truth for some time units
 - ▶ Shows promising UQ test results: ensemble spread size \propto RMSE
- ▶ **Outcome:** first step towards using SALT in a highly complex coupled system!

Thank you for your attention!