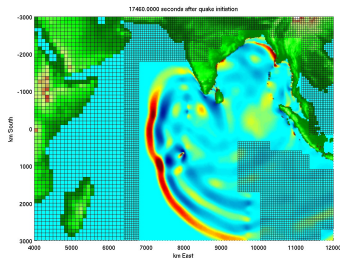


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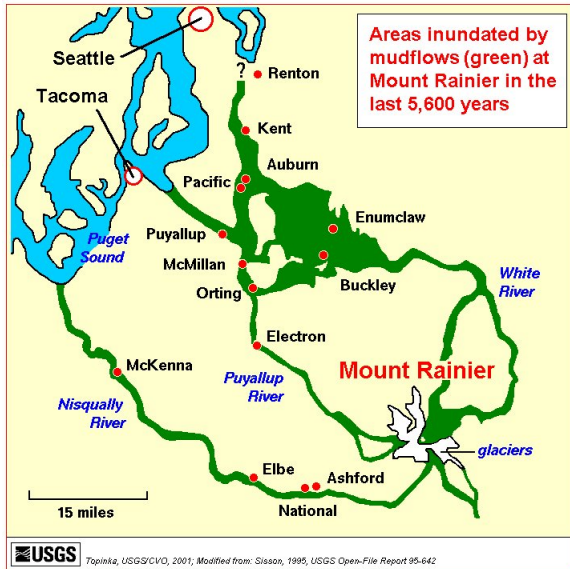
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Mt. Rainier and Tacoma

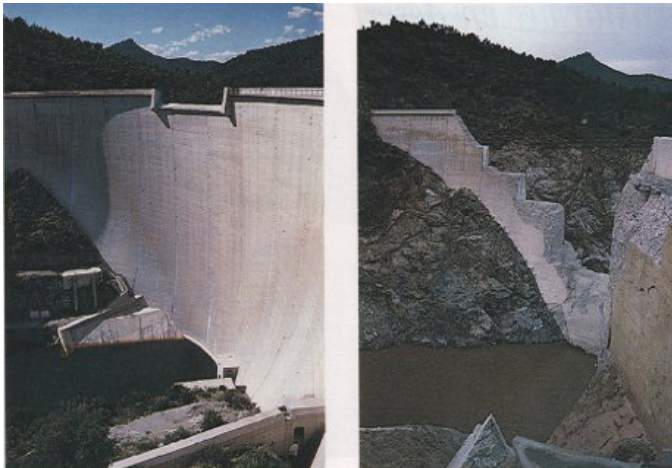


Mud and debris flows from Mt. Rainier



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Catastrophic failure in 1959

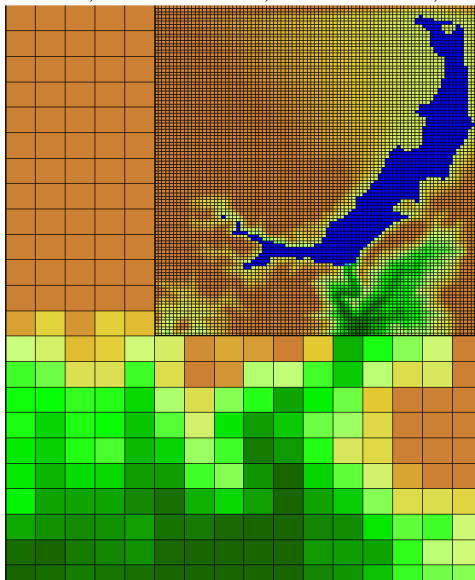


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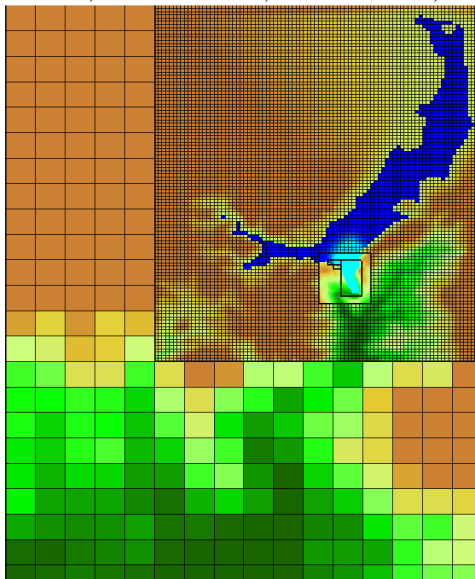
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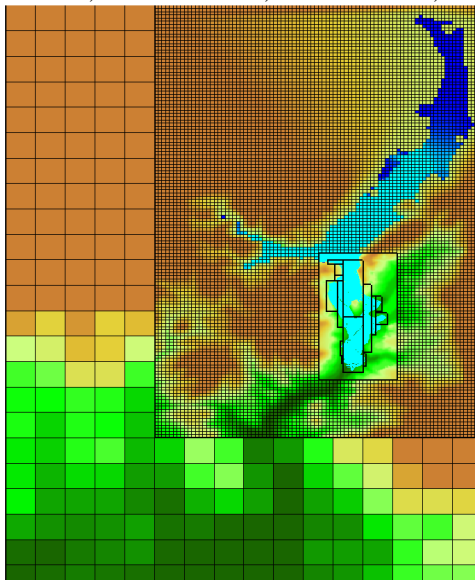
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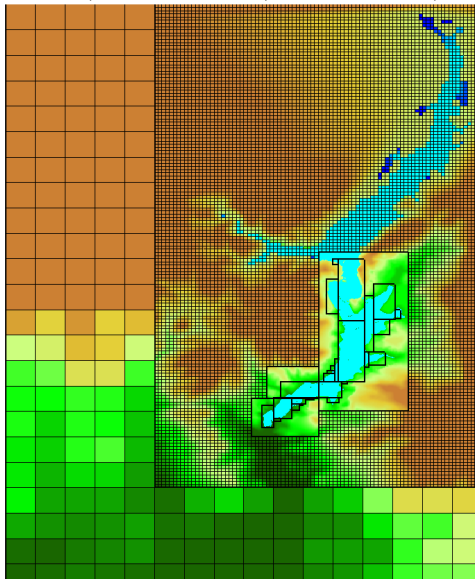
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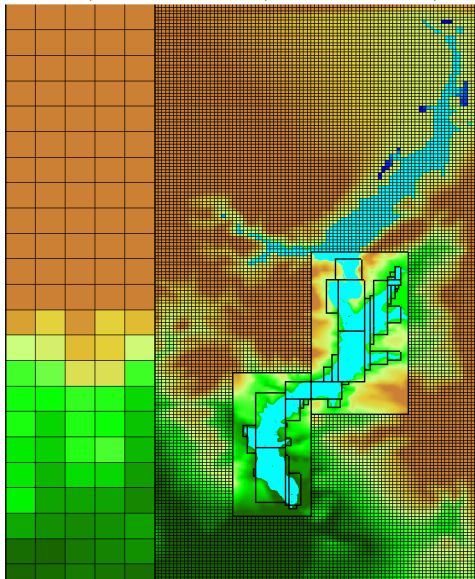
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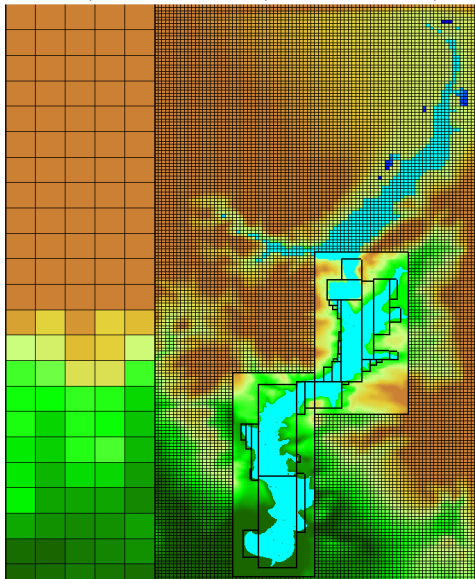
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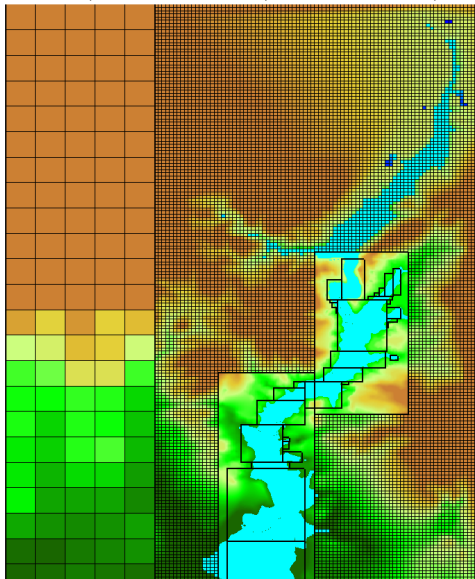
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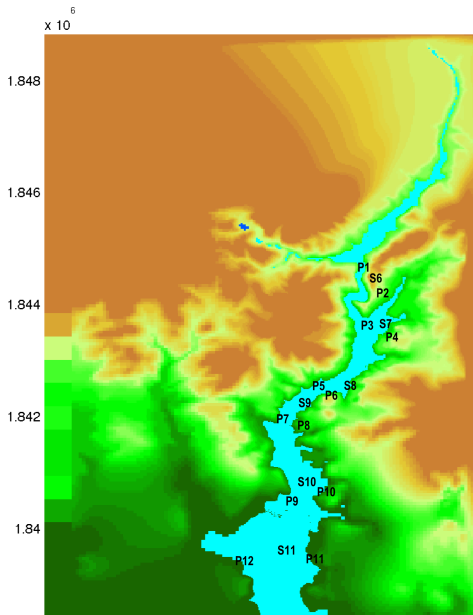


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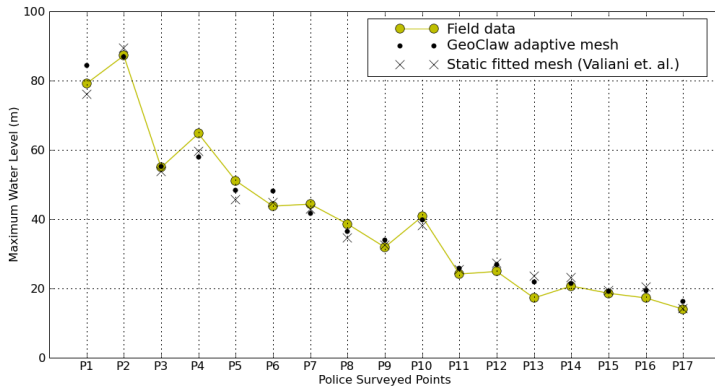
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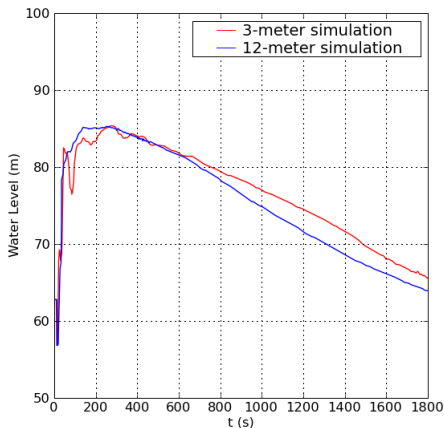


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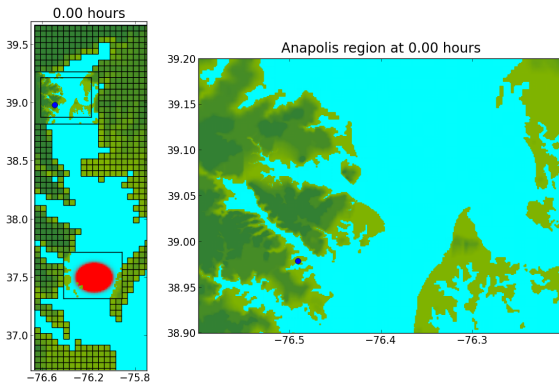
Grid convergence study

Water depth gauge at location P2 computed with two different resolutions (using 4 levels or only 3):



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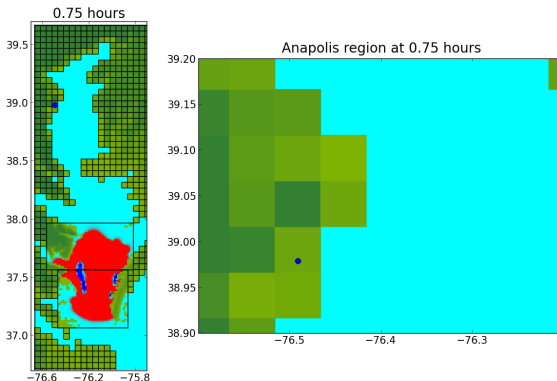
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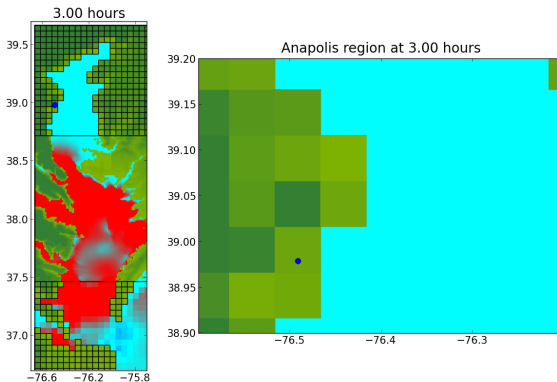
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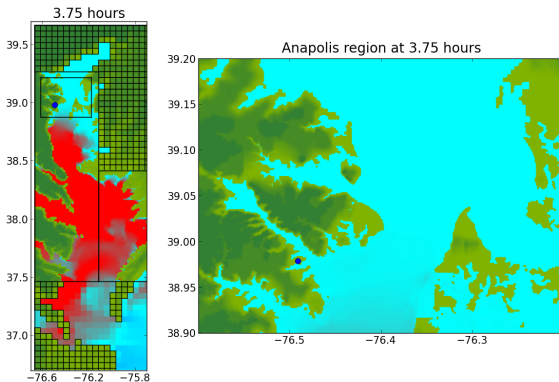
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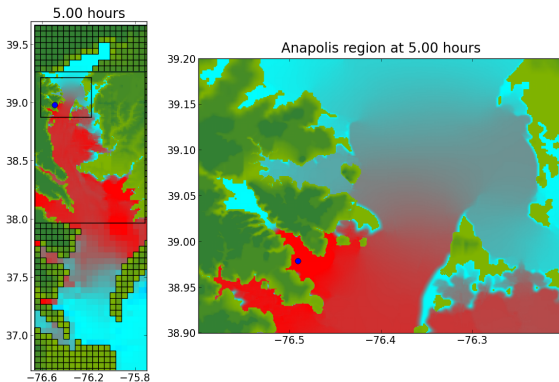
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Timeline:

View Google Earth, download bathymetry: \approx 30 minutes

GeoClaw implementation started: 5:40pm

The run just shown...

Started: 6:16pm

Ended: 6:56pm

Went to dinner...

Making plots of 29 frames and movie:

Started: 7:58pm

Ended: 8:16pm

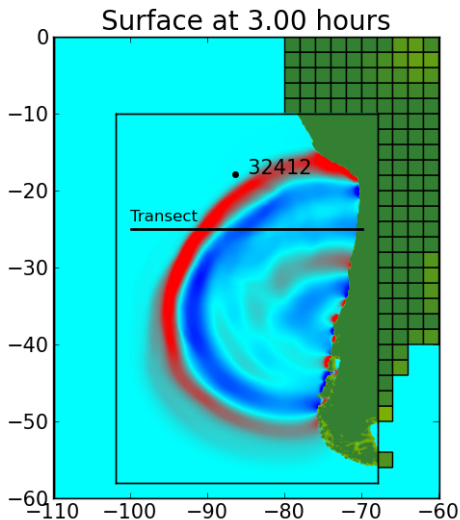
Shallow water equations with bathymetry $B(x, y)$

$$\begin{aligned}h_t + (hu)_x + (hv)_y &= 0 \\(hu)_t + \left(hu^2 + \frac{1}{2}gh^2\right)_x + (huv)_y &= -ghB_x(x, y) \\(hv)_t + (huv)_x + \left(hv^2 + \frac{1}{2}gh^2\right)_y &= -ghB_y(x, y)\end{aligned}$$

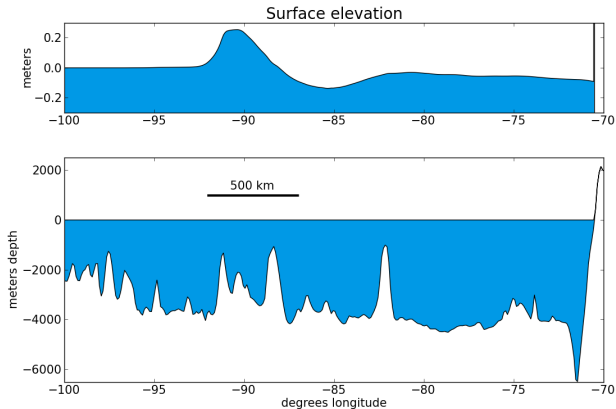
Some issues:

- Delicate balance between flux divergence and bathymetry:
 h varies on order of 4000m, rapid variations in ocean
Waves have magnitude 1m or less.
- Cartesian grid used, with $h = 0$ in dry cells:
Cells become wet/dry as wave advances on shore
Robust Riemann solvers needed.
- Adaptive mesh refinement crucial
Interaction of AMR with source terms, dry states

Cross section of Atlantic Ocean & tsunami



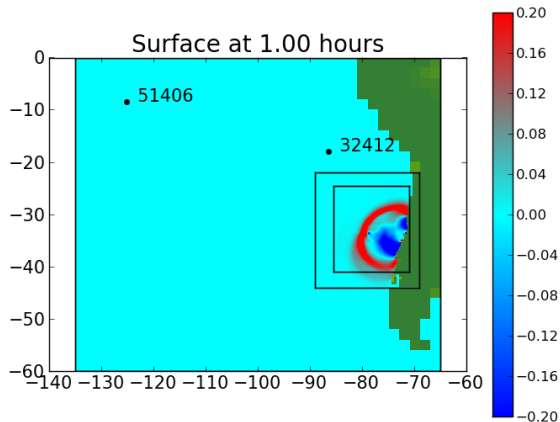
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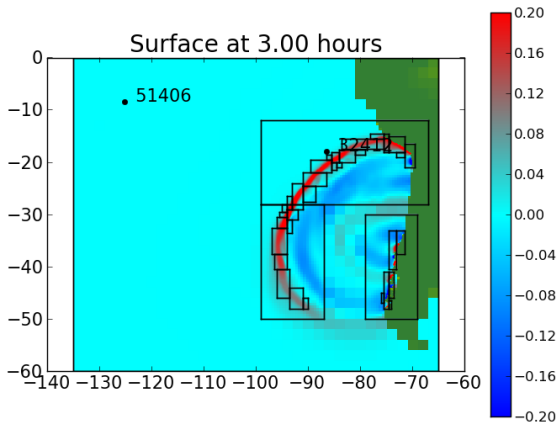
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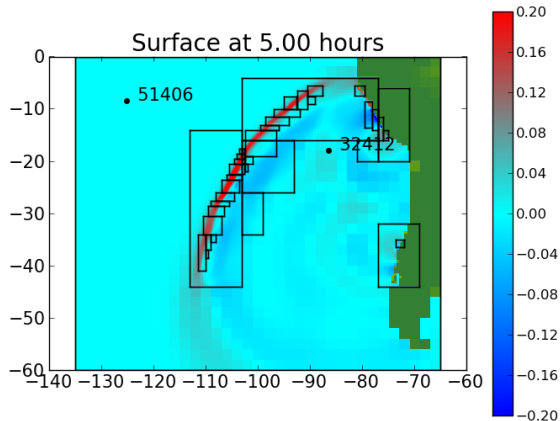
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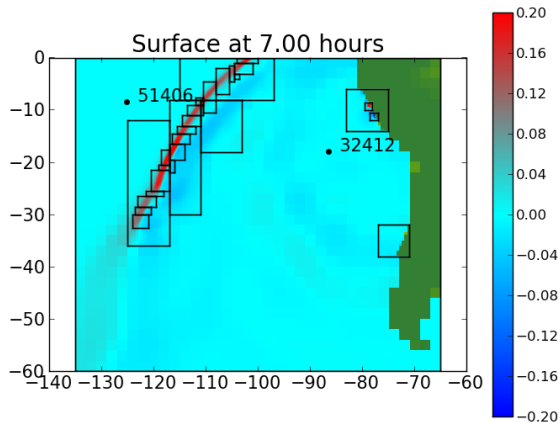
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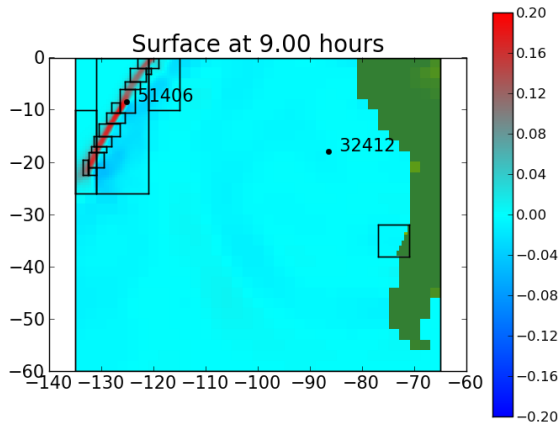
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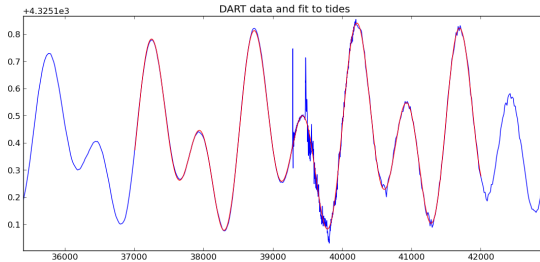
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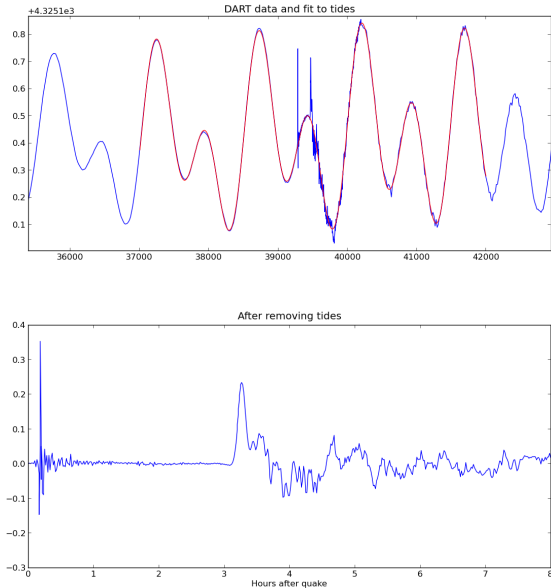
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NOAA unit sources for subduction zone

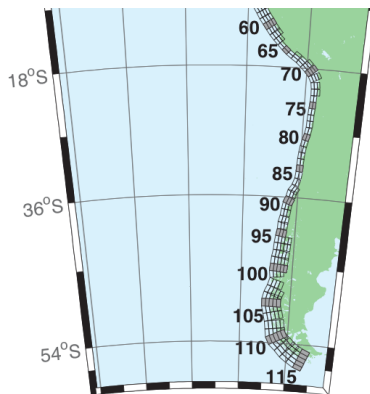
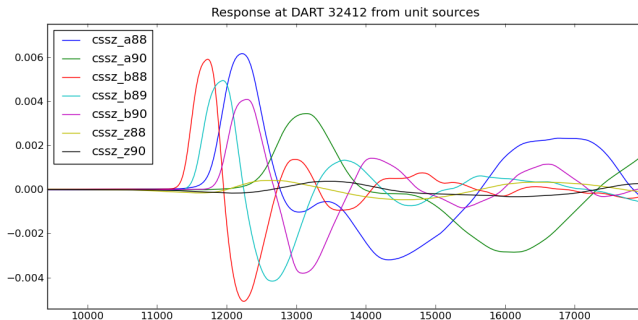


Figure B2: Central and South America Subduction Zone unit sources.

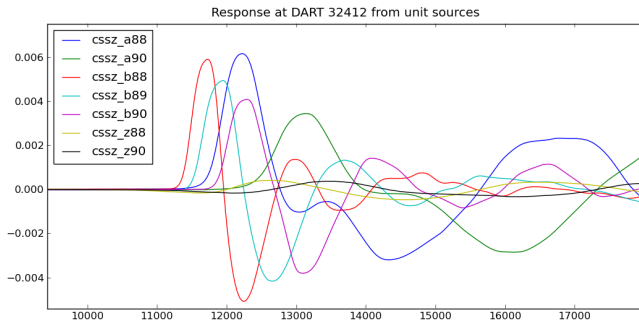
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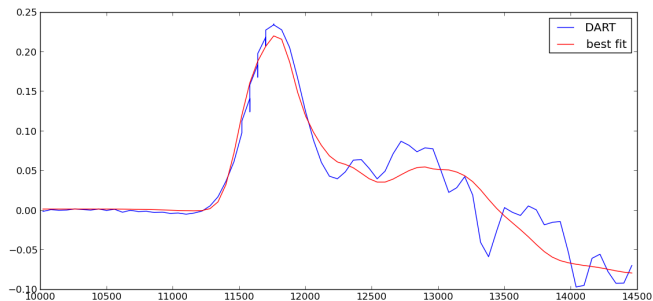
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Propagation in deep water is essentially linear...

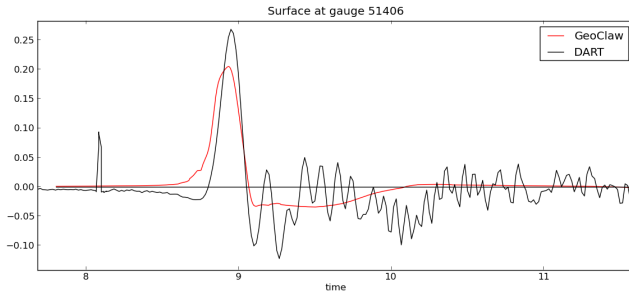
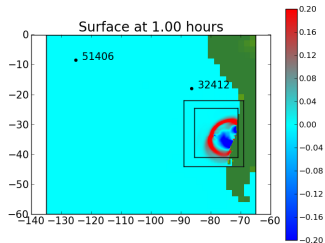
Fit linear combination of these responses to DART data.

Best fit from unit earthquakes



Best fit with constraint that all coefficients (dislocations) positive.

Response at DART 51406



- Open source, 1d, 2d, 3d
- Originally f77 with Matlab graphics.
- Moving to f95 with Python.
- Adaptive mesh refinement.
- OpenMP and MPI.

User supplies:

- **Riemann solver**, splitting data into waves and speeds
(Need not be in conservation form)
- **Boundary condition routine** to extend data to ghost cells
Standard `bc1.f` routine includes many standard BC's
- **Initial conditions** — `qinit.f`
- **Source terms** — `src1.f`

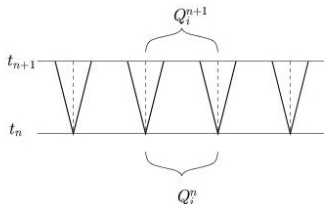
Options for using Clawpack

- 1 Install from tar file or Subversion: **Instructions**.
Requires some **prerequisites**: Fortran, Python modules.
- 2 Use the **VirtualClaw** virtual machine.
- 3 For some applications, use **EagleClaw**
(Easy Access Graphical Laboratory for Exploring
Conservation Laws)

Also perhaps useful:

Class notes on Python, Fortran, version control, etc.

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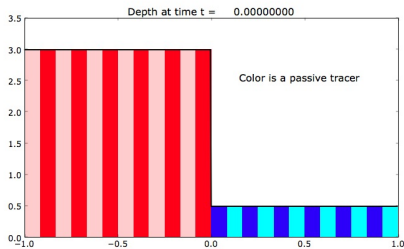
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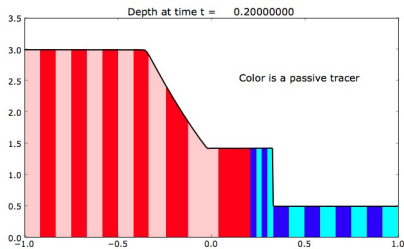


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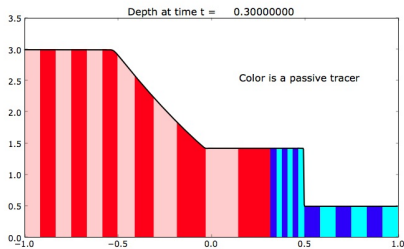


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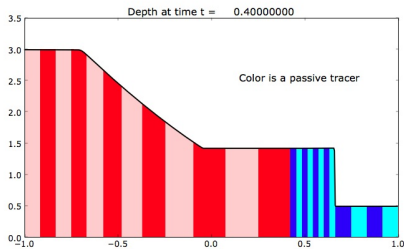


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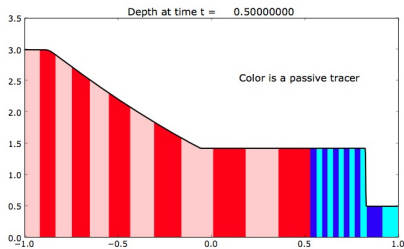


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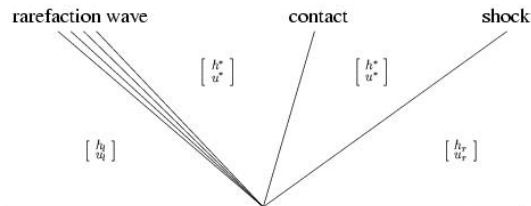
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Riemann solution for the SW equations



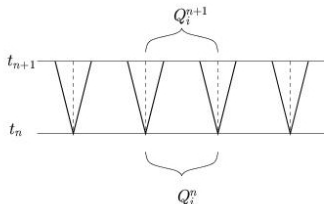
The Roe solver uses the solution to a linear system

$$q_t + \hat{A}_{i-1/2} q_x = 0, \quad \hat{A}_{i-1/2} = f'(q_{ave}).$$

All waves are simply discontinuities.

Typically a fine approximation if jumps are approximately correct.

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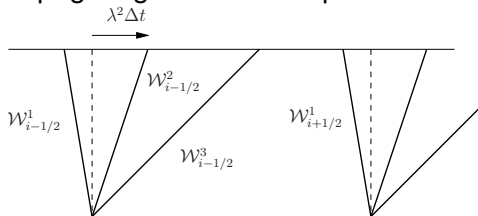


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Wave-propagation viewpoint

For linear system $q_t + Aq_x = 0$, the Riemann solution consists of waves \mathcal{W}^p propagating at constant speed λ^p .



$$Q_i - Q_{i-1} = \sum_{p=1}^m \alpha_{i-1/2}^p r^p \equiv \sum_{p=1}^m \mathcal{W}_{i-1/2}^p.$$

$$Q_i^{n+1} = Q_i^n - \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x} [\lambda^2 \mathcal{W}_{i-1/2}^2 + \lambda^3 \mathcal{W}_{i-1/2}^3 + \lambda^1 \mathcal{W}_{i+1/2}^1].$$

Upwind wave-propagation algorithm

$$Q_i^{n+1} = Q_i^n - \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x} \left[\sum_{p=1}^m (s_{i-1/2}^p)^+ \mathcal{W}_{i-1/2}^p + \sum_{p=1}^m (s_{i+1/2}^p)^- \mathcal{W}_{i+1/2}^p \right]$$

where

$$s^+ = \max(s, 0), \quad s^- = \min(s, 0).$$

Note: Requires only waves and speeds.

Applicable also to hyperbolic problems not in conservation form.

For $q_t + f(q)_x = 0$, conservative if waves chosen properly,
e.g. using Roe-average of Jacobians.

Great for general software, but only first-order accurate (upwind method for linear systems).

Wave-propagation form of high-resolution method

$$Q_i^{n+1} = Q_i^n - \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x} \left[\sum_{p=1}^m (s_{i-1/2}^p)^+ \mathcal{W}_{i-1/2}^p + \sum_{p=1}^m (s_{i+1/2}^p)^- \mathcal{W}_{i+1/2}^p \right] - \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x} (\tilde{F}_{i+1/2} - \tilde{F}_{i-1/2})$$

Correction flux:

$$\tilde{F}_{i-1/2} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{p=1}^{M_w} |s_{i-1/2}^p| \left(1 - \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x} |s_{i-1/2}^p| \right) \widetilde{\mathcal{W}}_{i-1/2}^p$$

where $\widetilde{\mathcal{W}}_{i-1/2}^p$ is a **limited** version of $\mathcal{W}_{i-1/2}^p$ to avoid oscillations.

(Unlimited waves $\widetilde{\mathcal{W}}^p = \mathcal{W}^p \implies$ Lax-Wendroff for a linear system \implies nonphysical oscillations near shocks.)

Summary of wave propagation algorithms

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$$\mathcal{A}\Delta Q_{i-1/2} = f(Q_i) - f(Q_{i-1})$$

is split into:

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In either case, limiters are applied to waves or f-waves for use in high-resolution correction terms.

Incorporating source term in f-waves

$$q_t + f(q)_x = \psi(q)\sigma_x(x)$$

Concentrate source at interfaces: $\Psi_{i-1/2}(\sigma_i - \sigma_{i-1})$

Split $f(Q_i) - f(Q_{i-1}) - (\sigma_i - \sigma_{i-1})\Psi_{i-1/2} = \sum_p \mathcal{Z}_{i-1/2}^p$

Use these waves in wave-propagation algorithm.

Steady state maintained:

If $\frac{f(Q_i) - f(Q_{i-1})}{\Delta x} = \Psi_{i-1/2} \frac{(\sigma_i - \sigma_{i-1})}{\Delta x}$ then $\mathcal{Z}^p \equiv 0$

Near steady state:

Deviation from steady state is split into waves and limited.

Incorporating source term in f-waves

$$q_t + f(q)_x = \psi(q)\sigma_x(x) \implies \Psi_{i-1/2}(\sigma_i - \sigma_{i-1})$$

Question: How to average $\psi(q)$ between cells to get $\Psi_{i-1/2}$?

A Well-Balanced Path-Integral f-wave Method for Hyperbolic Problems with Source Terms, to appear in *J. Sci. Comput.*

For some problems (e.g. ocean-at-rest) can simply use arithmetic average.

$$\Psi_{i-1/2} = \frac{1}{2}(\psi(Q_{i-1}) + \psi(Q_i)).$$

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Adaptive Mesh Refinement (AMR)

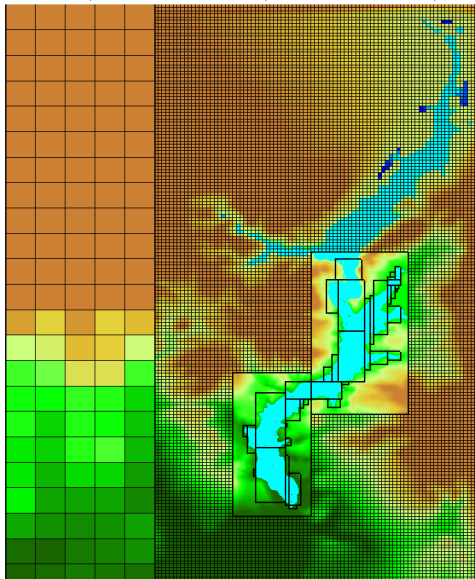
- Cluster grid points where needed
- Automatically adapt to solution
- Refined region moves in time-dependent problem

Basic approaches:

- Cell-by-cell refinement
Quad-tree or Oct-tree data structure
Structured or unstructured grid
- Refinement on “rectangular” patches
Berger-Colella-Oliger style
(AMRCLAW and CHOMBO-CLAW)

Nested AMR grids

Coarse: 400m cell side, Level 2: 50m, Level 3: 12m, Level 4: 3m

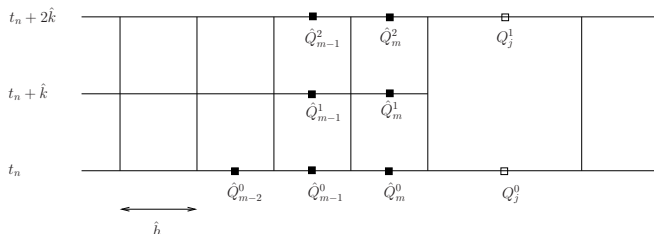


AMR Issues

- Refinement in time as well as space
- Conservation at grid interfaces
- Accuracy at interfaces, Spurious reflections?
- Refinement strategy, error estimation
- Clustering flagged points into rectangular patches

Time stepping algorithm for AMR

- Take 1 time step of length k on coarse grid with spacing h .
- Use space-time interpolation to set ghost cell values on fine grid near interface.
- Take L time steps on fine grid.
 $L = \text{refinement ratio}, \quad \hat{h} = h/L, \quad \hat{k} = k/L.$
- Replace coarse grid value by average of fine grid values on regions of overlap — better approximation and consistent representations.
- Conservative fix-up near edges.



Flagging Cells for Refinement

Every `kcheck` time-steps at each level (except finest), check all grid cells and flag those needing refinement.

Use one or more of the following flagging criteria:

- Richardson estimation of truncation error.
Compare result after last two time steps on this grid with one time step on a coarsened grid.
- Estimate spatial gradient of one or more components of solution.
- Check for regions where refinement is user-forced to some level.
- Problem-specific, e.g. near shore for tsunami simulation.
- Other user-supplied criterion set in `flag2refine.f`.

Clustering Flagged Cells for Refinement

Use Berger-Rigoutsos algorithm

[IEEE Trans. Sys. Man & Cyber.] 21(1991), p. 1278]

Clusters flagged points into a set of rectangular patches.

Tradeoff between:

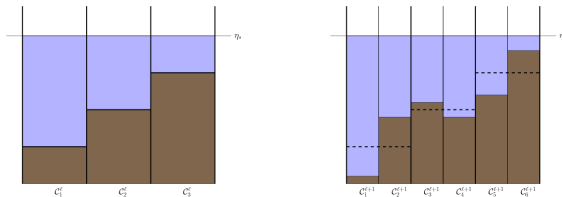
- Many small patches cover flagged points with minimal refinement of unflagged points.
- But.... increases overhead associated with each patch, e.g. boundary values: ghost cell values set by copying or interpolation from other grids,

B-G algorithm has cut-off parameter: require that this fraction of refined cells be flagged (usually set to 0.7).

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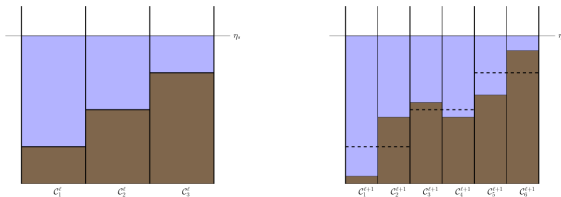
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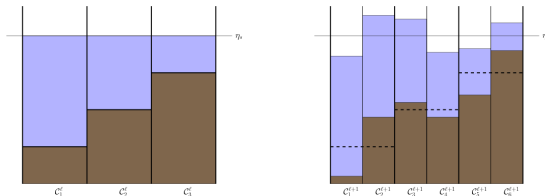
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Important to interpolate surface, not depth, as in...

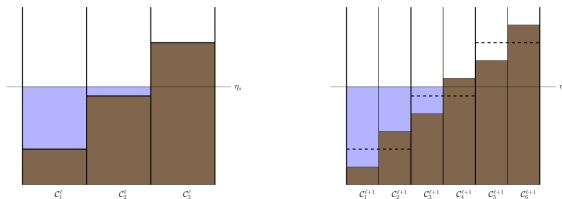


Inundation modeling



Refinement of topography near shore

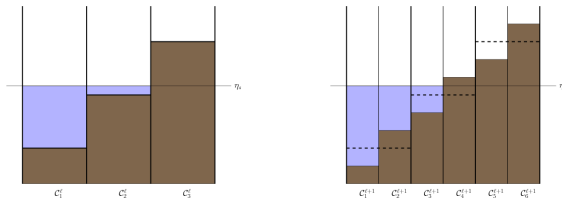
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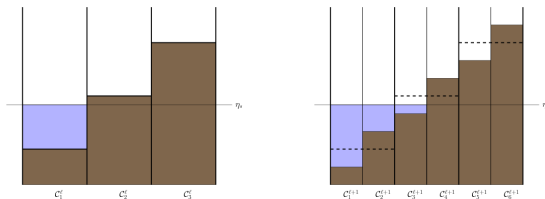
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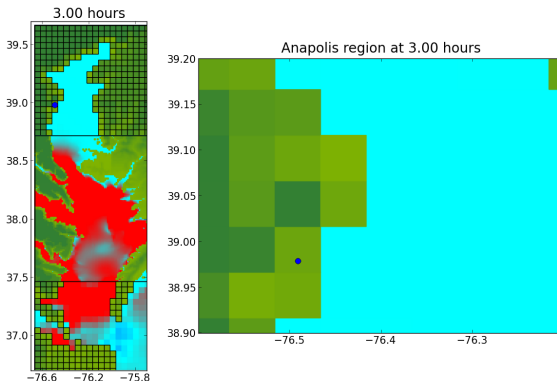


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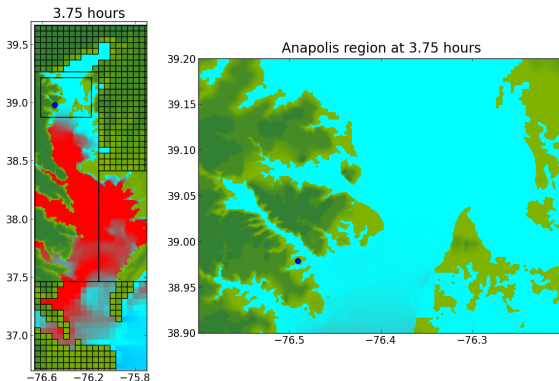
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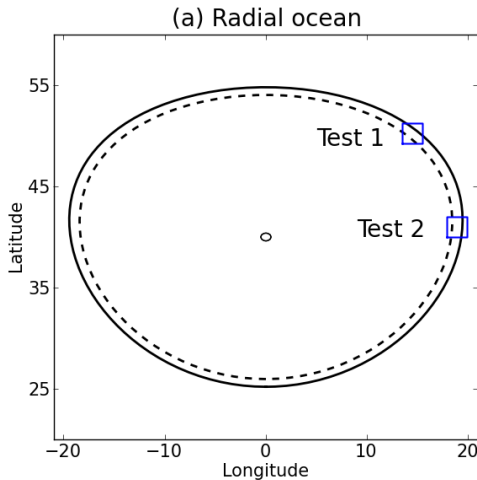


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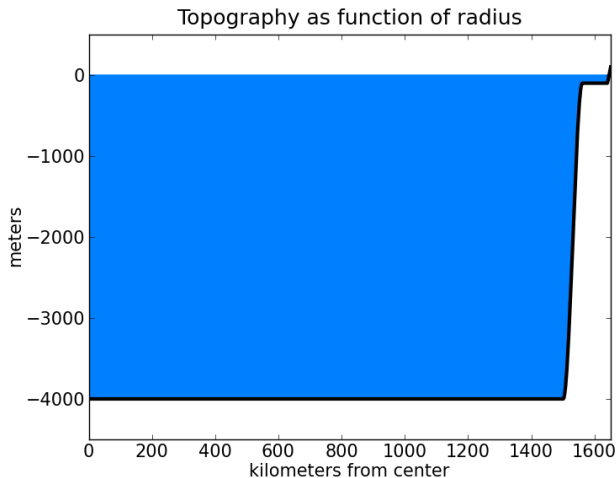
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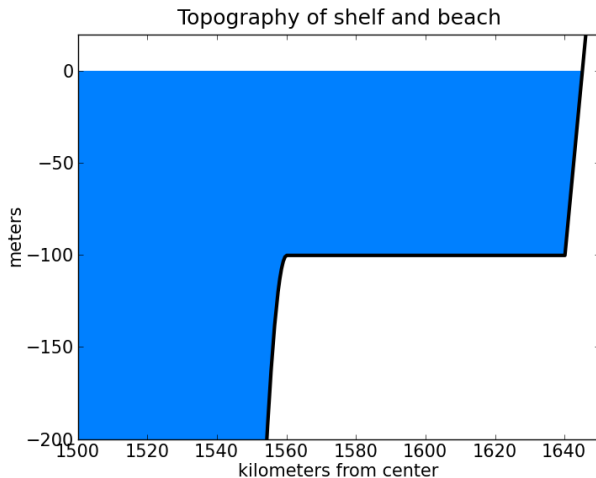
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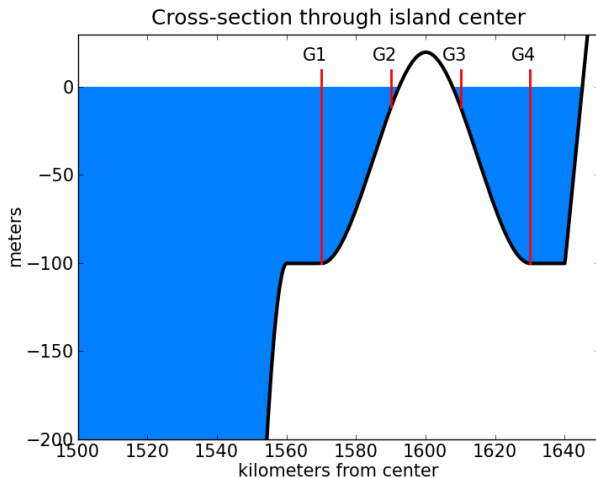
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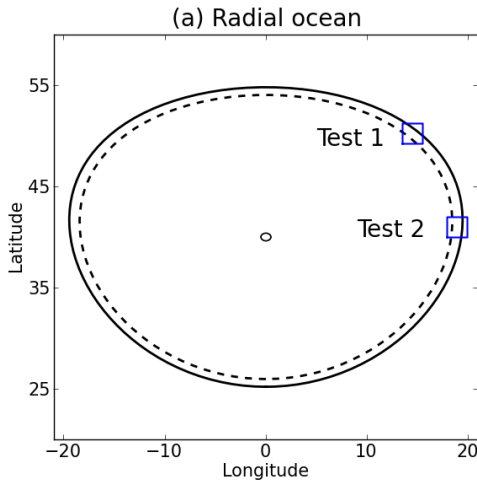
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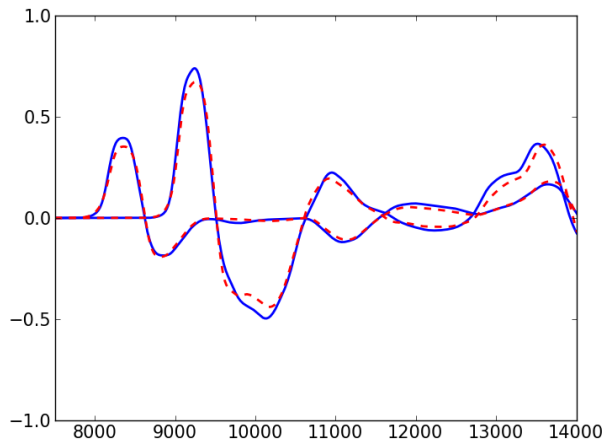


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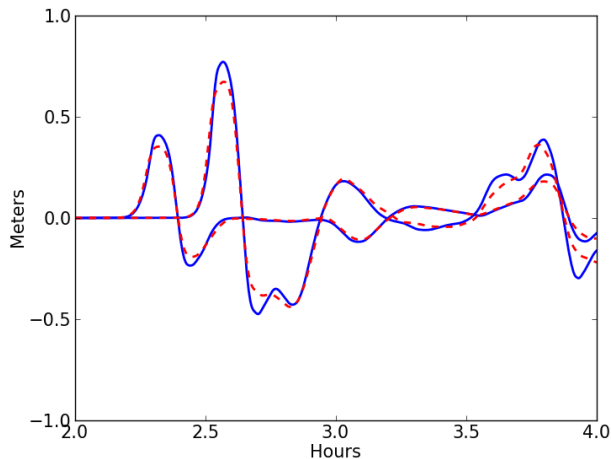
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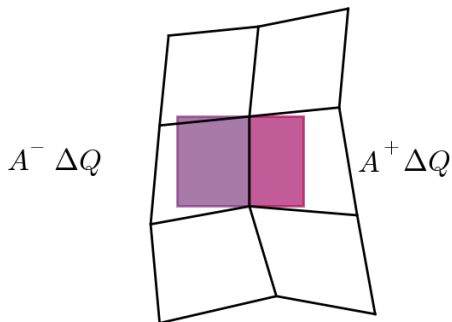


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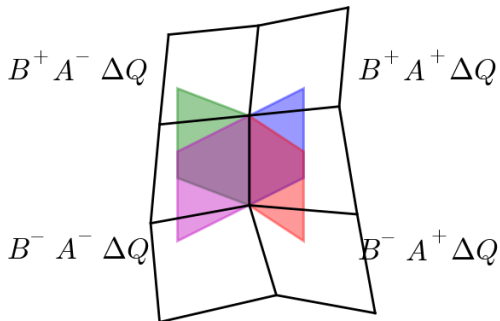
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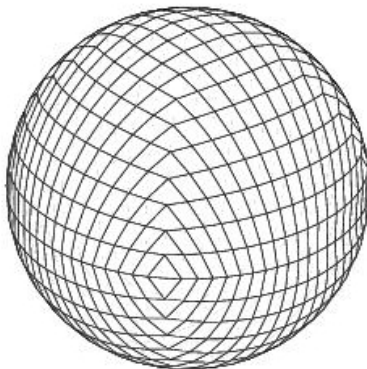


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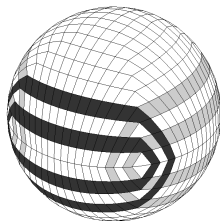
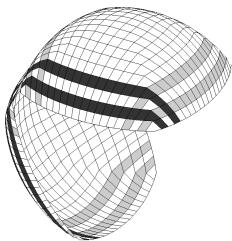
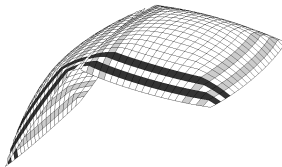
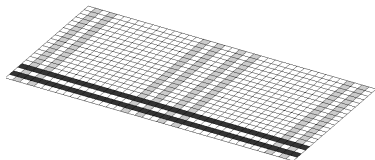


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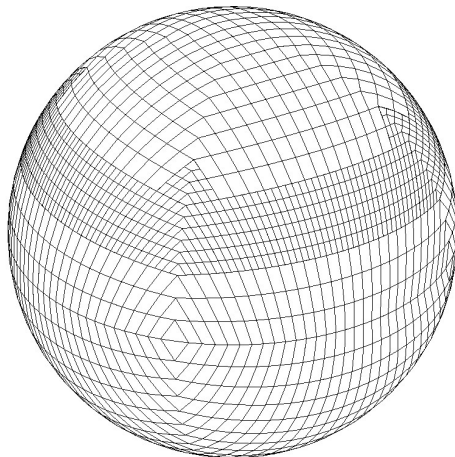
Mapping from rectangle to sphere



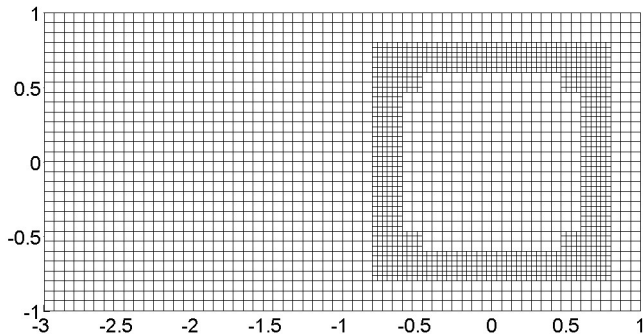
Shallow water on rotating sphere

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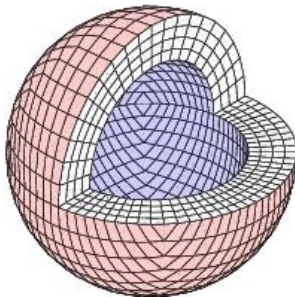


AMR on “rectangular” patches



Our approach for shells

Above approach can be used on sphere and then extended radially:



Useful for atmosphere, mantle convection,
volcanic ash plumes, etc.

Some references

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- GeoClaw: www.clawpack.org/geoclaw
- Recent paper with references **and codes**:

The GeoClaw software for depth-averaged flows with adaptive refinement,

by M. J. Berger, D. L. George, RJL, and K. M. Mandli,

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or... [arXiv:1008.0455v1](https://arxiv.org/abs/1008.0455v1)

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