Current Benchmarking Using a Boussinesq-type Model



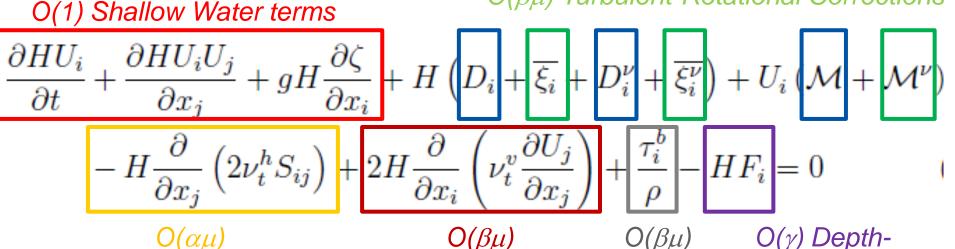
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$$\frac{\partial \zeta}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot \{(\zeta + h) \boldsymbol{U}_{\alpha}\} + \mu^2 \mathcal{M} + \beta \mu \mathcal{M}^{\nu} = O\left(\mu^4, \beta^2 \mu^2\right)$$

•
$$\nu_t^h$$
 : Smagorinsky model (1963)
 $\nu_t^{h'} = C_s^2 \Delta^2 h_o \sqrt{gh_o} \sqrt{\left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial z}\right)^2 + 2\mu^2 \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}\right)^2 + 2\mu^2 \left(\frac{\partial w}{\partial z}\right)^2 + \cdots}$
 $\nu_t^{h'} = \alpha h_o \sqrt{gh_o} \nu_t^h$
 $\alpha = C_s^2 \Delta^2$ $O(\mu^2) = O(\alpha \mu) \ll 1$

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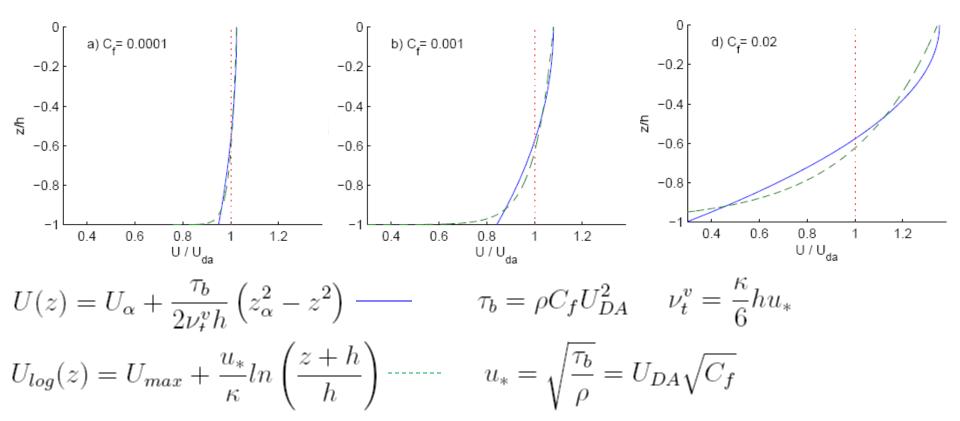
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$$\nu_t^v = \frac{\kappa}{6} H u_\tau$$
 : Elder (1959)
 $\nu_t^{v'} = C_h H' u'_*$ $u_* = C_* u_b$
 $\nu_t^{v'} = \beta h_o \sqrt{g h_o} H u_b = \beta h_o \sqrt{g h_o} \nu_t^v$
 $\beta = C_h C_*$
 $O(\mu^2) = O(\beta \mu) \ll 1$

$$\frac{\partial p}{\partial z} + 1 = O(\mu^2, \mu\beta)$$

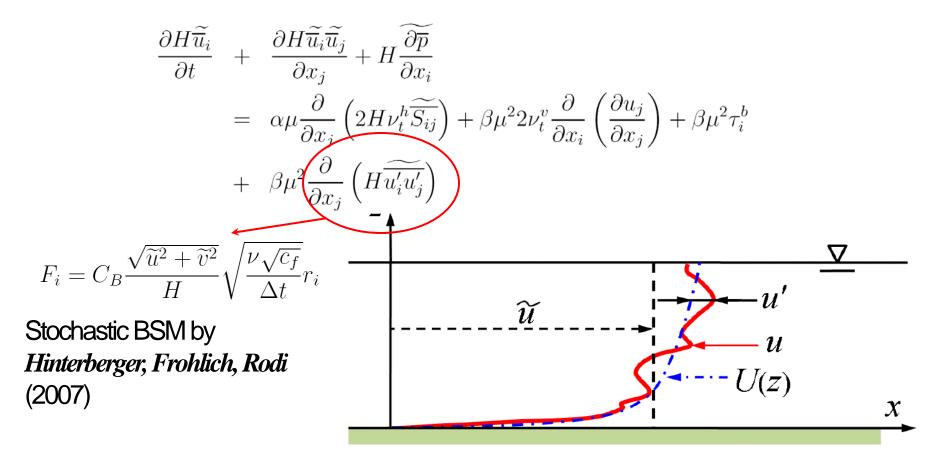
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$$\boldsymbol{U} = \boldsymbol{U}_{\alpha} + \mu^{2} \boldsymbol{U}_{1}^{\phi} + \beta \mu \boldsymbol{U}_{1}^{r} + O\left(\mu^{4}, \beta^{2} \mu^{2}\right)$$
$$\boldsymbol{U}_{1}^{r} = \int_{z_{\alpha}}^{z} \boldsymbol{\omega}_{1} dz = \frac{\boldsymbol{\tau}_{b}}{\nu_{t}^{v} \left(\zeta + h\right)} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \left(z_{\alpha}^{2} - z^{2} \right) + \zeta \left(z - z_{\alpha} \right) \right\}$$



3D Turbulence Effects

- Go back to the beginning
 - Spatially filtered N-S equations
 - Depth-average

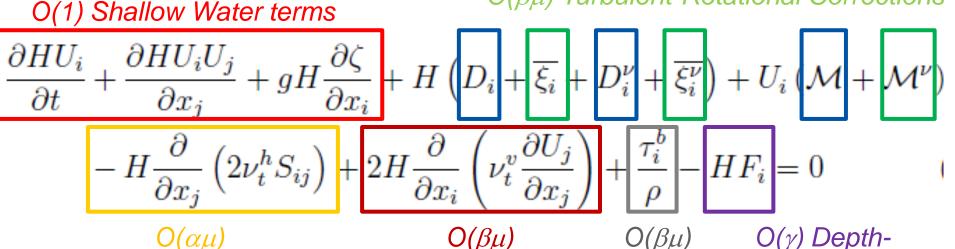


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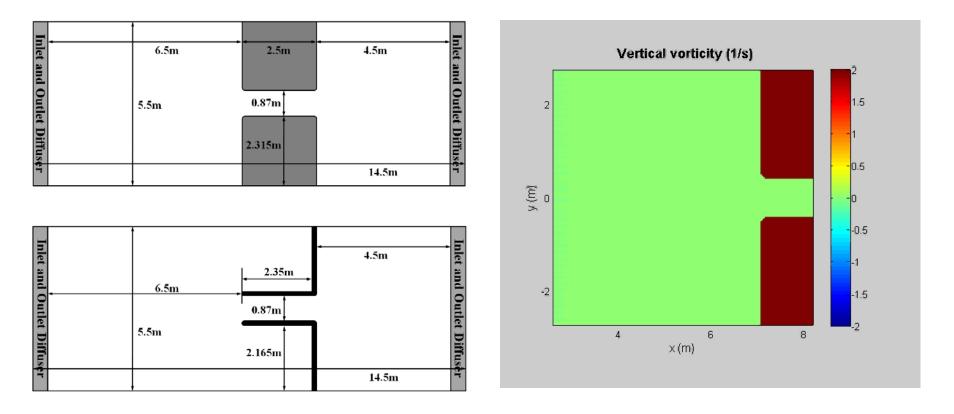


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Numerical Model

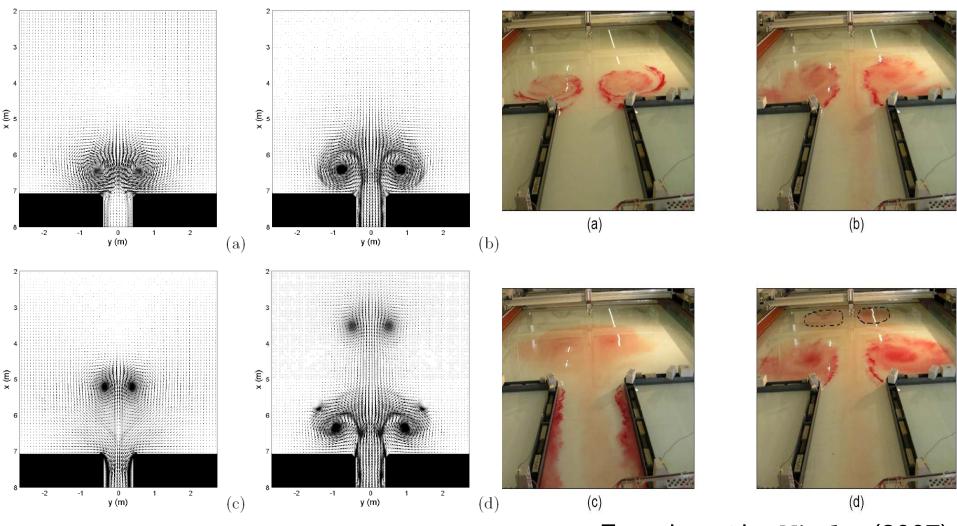
- Time integration :
 - 4th-order Predictor–Corrector scheme
- Leading-order term :
 - 4th-order MUSCL-TVD scheme, FVM
 - Yamamoto & Daiguji (1993)
- High-order term :
 - FVM discretization by Lacor et al.(2004)
 - 4th-order or 2nd-order accuracy

Coherent structures by tidal jet



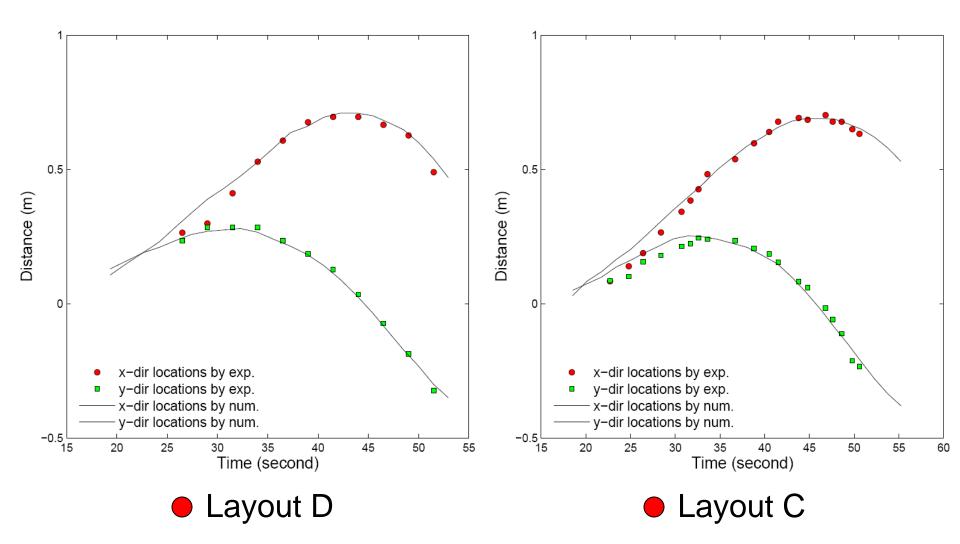
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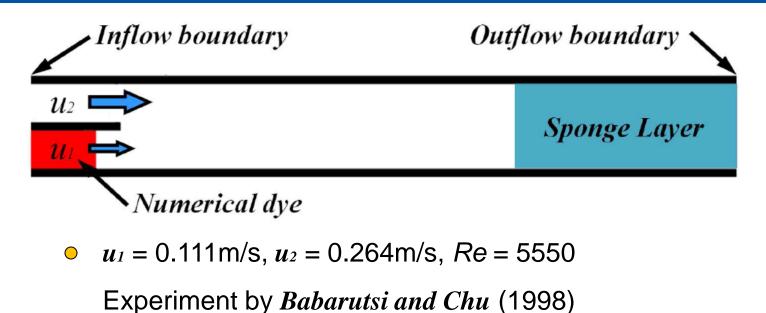


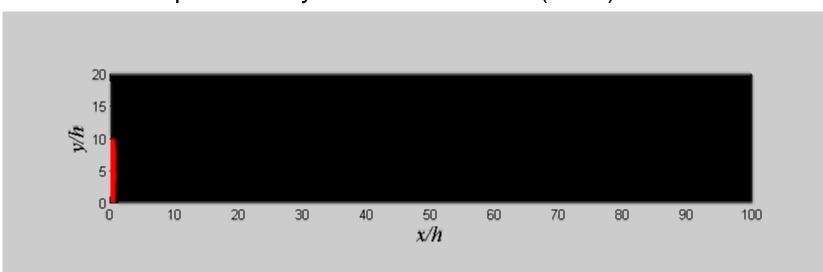
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Traces of vortex

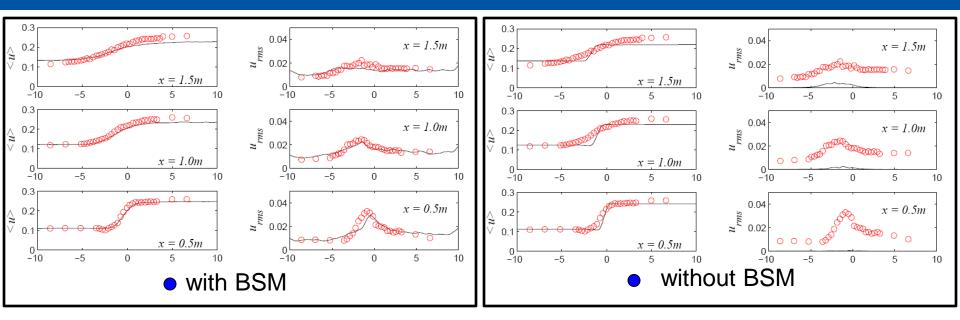


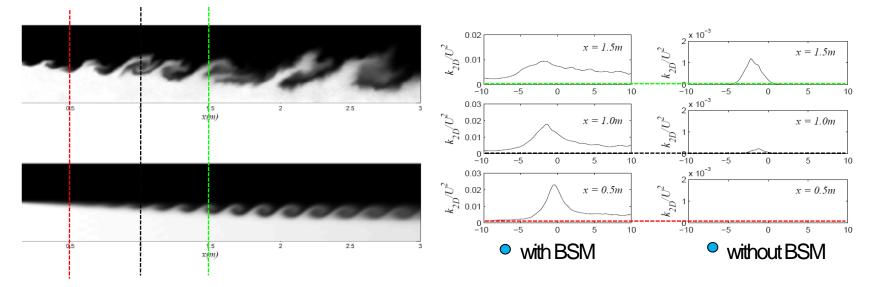
Mixing by internal transverse shear instability

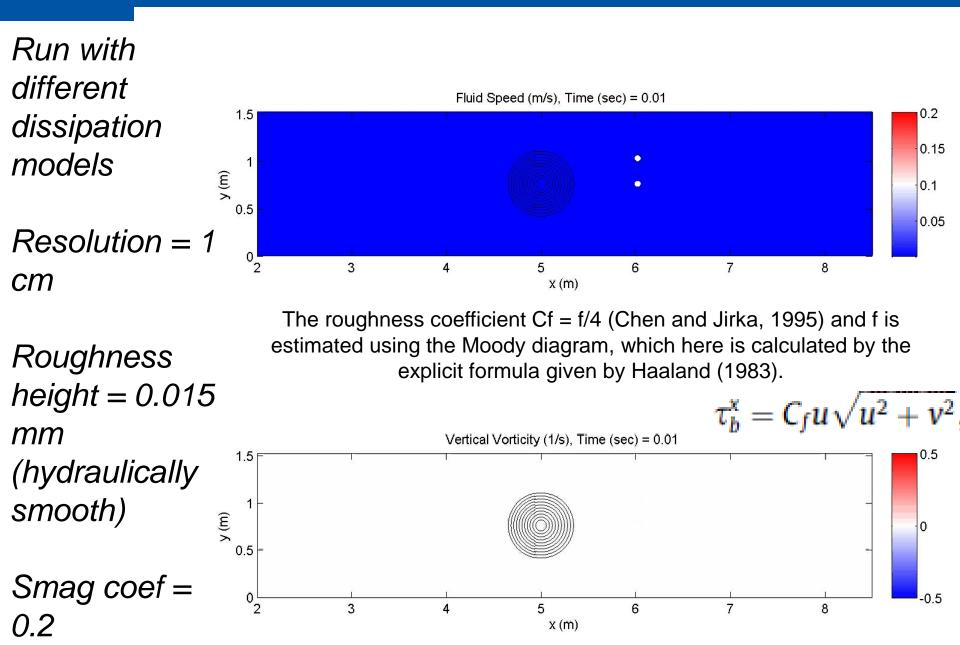


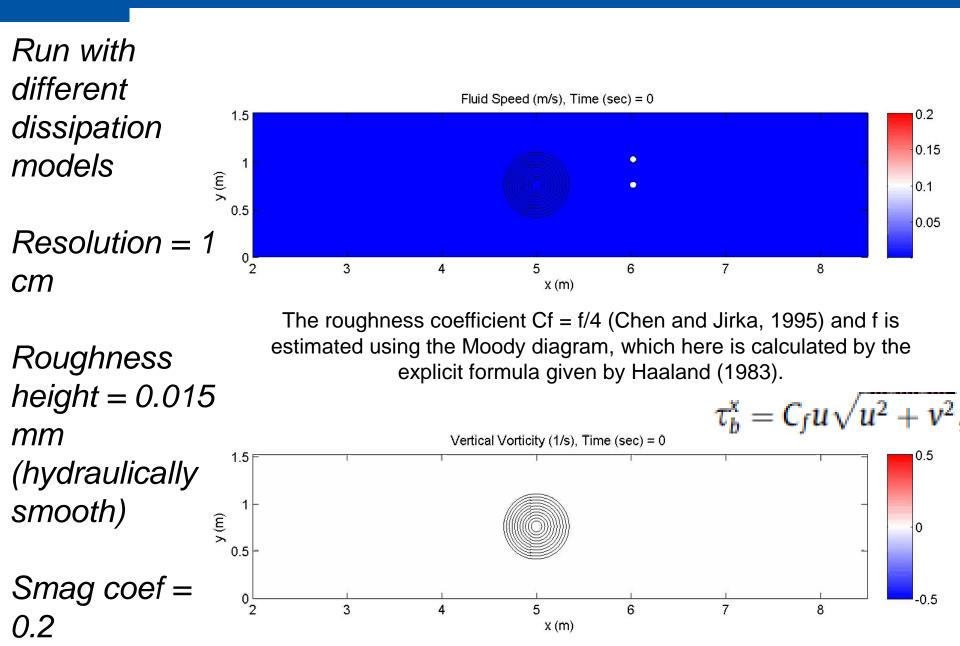


Energy transfer

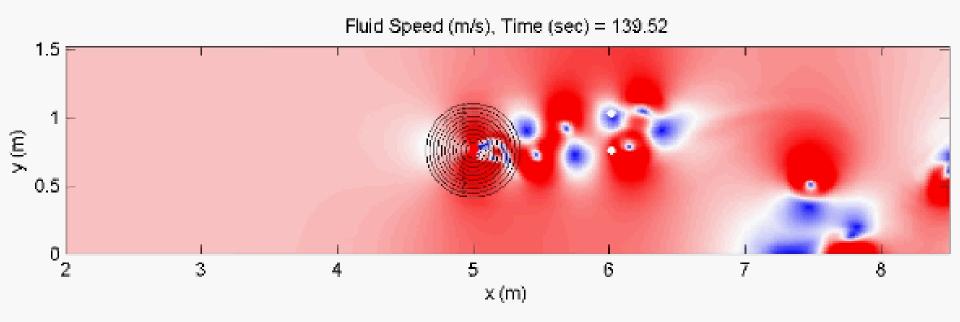




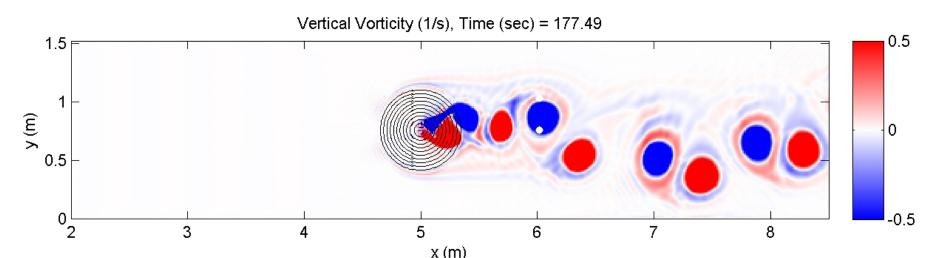




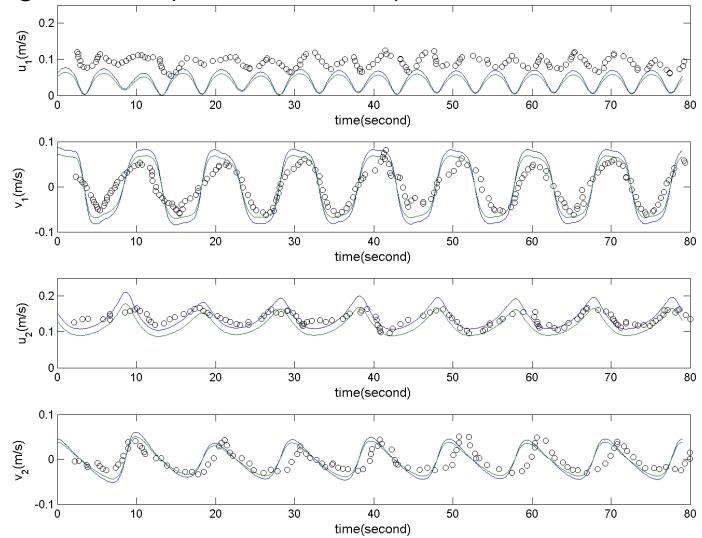
- Simulations with all dissipation models off:
 - With no limiters used, simulations crash due to instabilities at island apex, for resolutions smaller than 0.02 m
 - When using the minmod limiter (van Leer, 1979), stable results can be achieved to resolutions of 0.01 m, but no numerical convergence (in the deterministic sense) is found



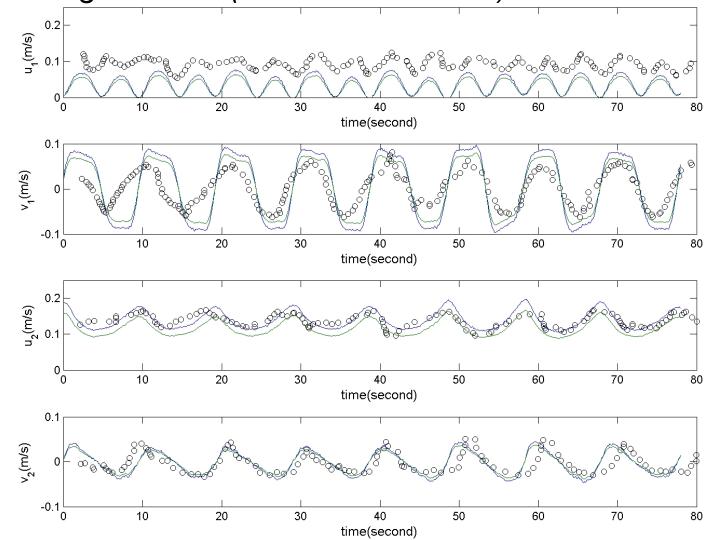
- Simulations with prescribed bottom friction:
 - Using the roughness height friction model, numerically convergent results (after spin-up) are found at a resolution of 0.015 m
 - Using the backscatter model, agreement with data is best
 - Numerical convergence (in the deterministic sense) was not found with prescribed Mannings or friction coefficient (chaotic wake) –

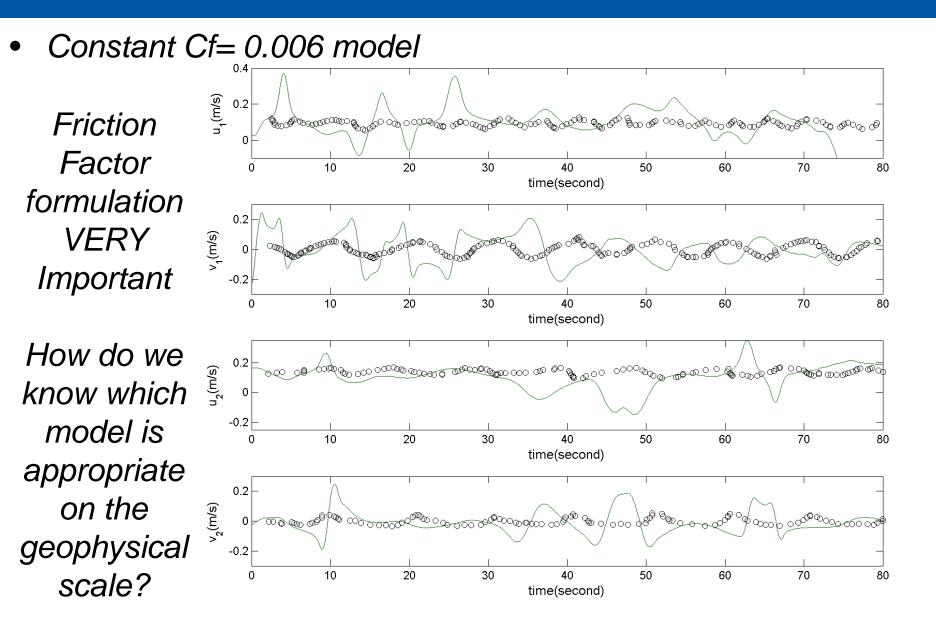


• Roughness Height Model (No Backscatter)

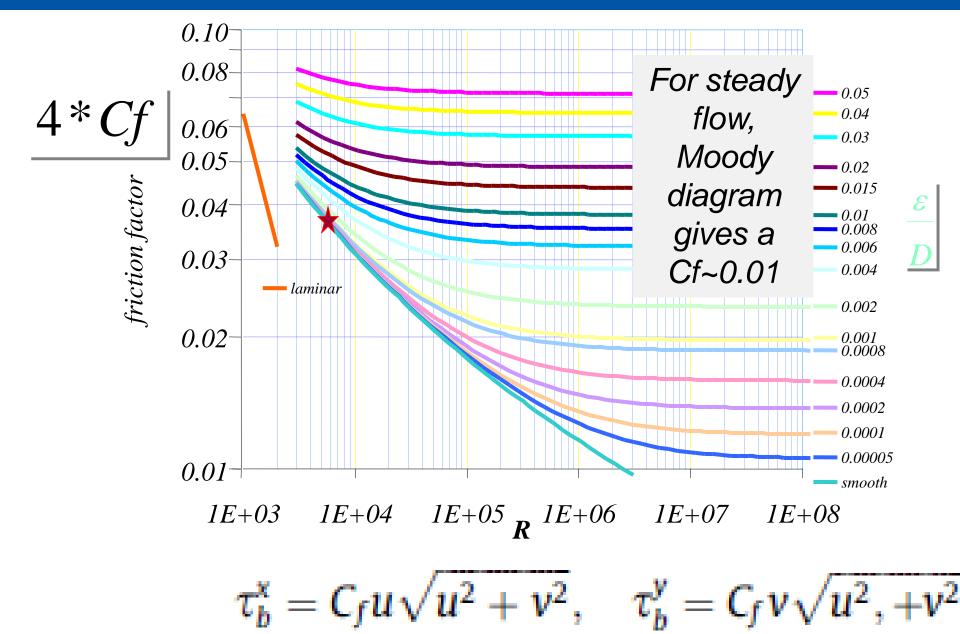


• Roughness Height Model (WITH Backscatter)

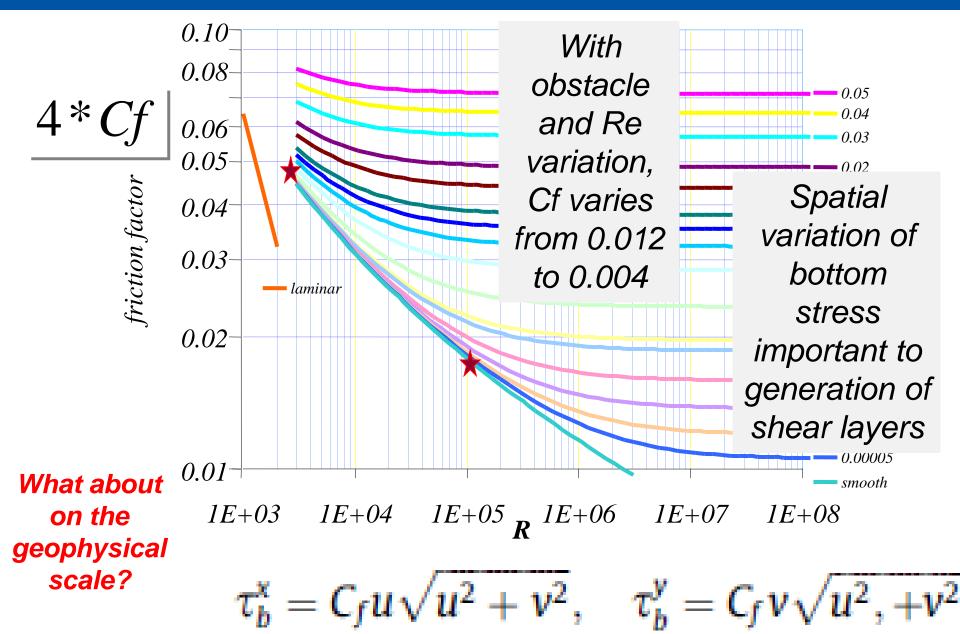




Moody Diagram



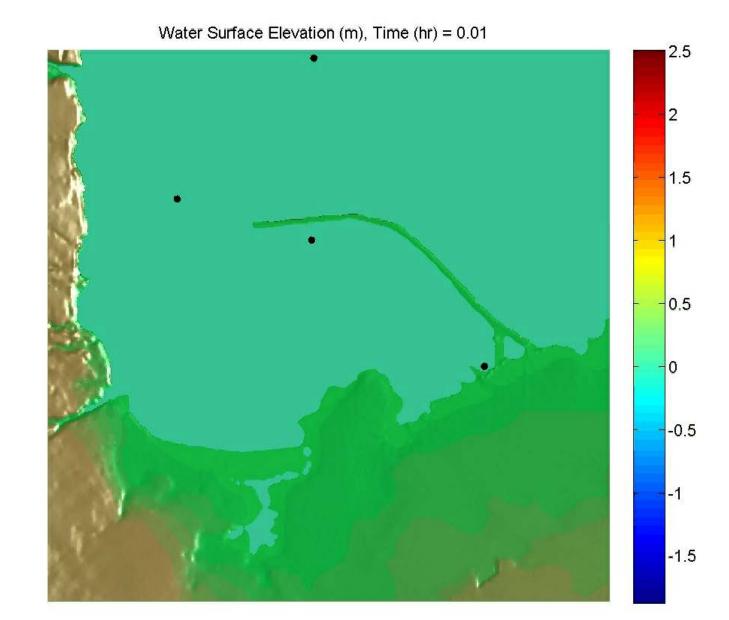
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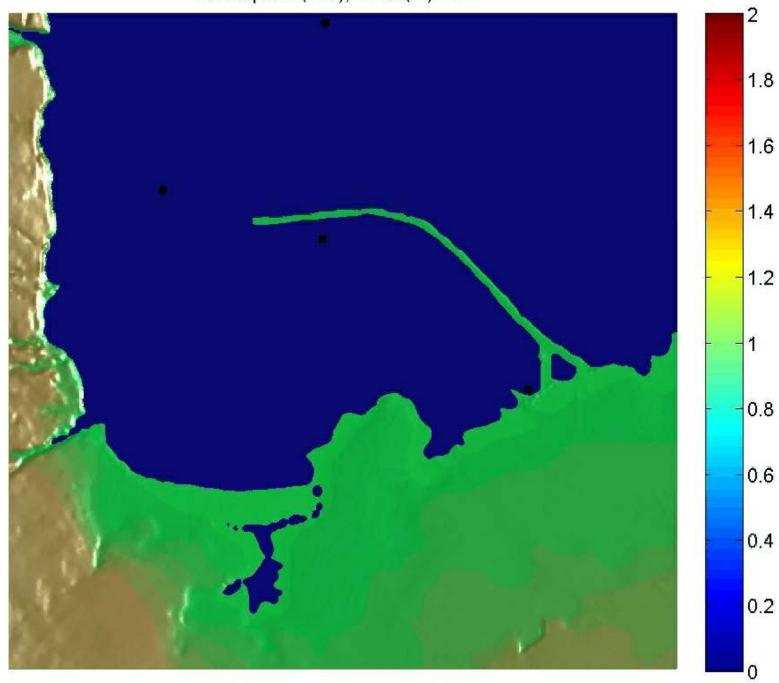
Run at three different resolutions (5m ,10m, 20m)

Mannings n constant at 0.025

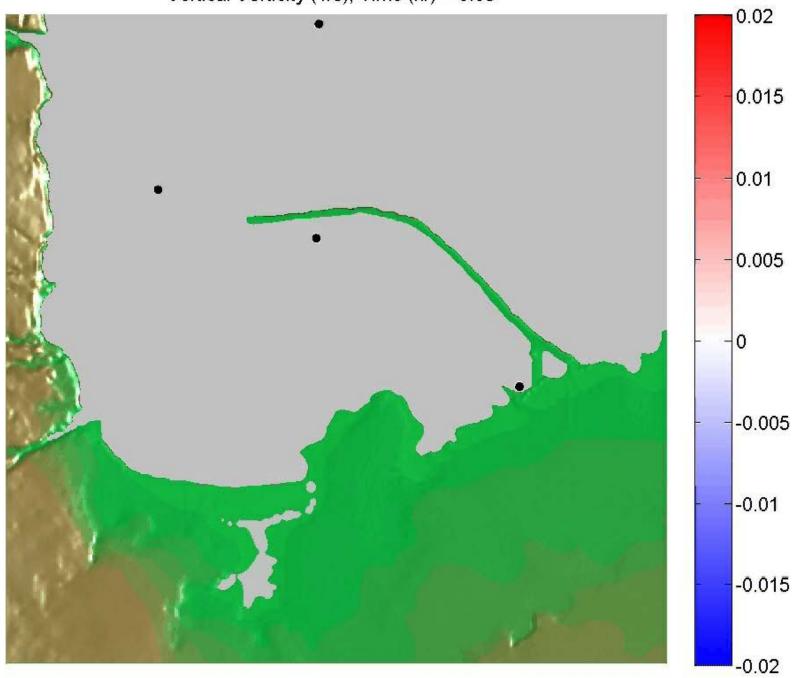
Smag coef = 0.2



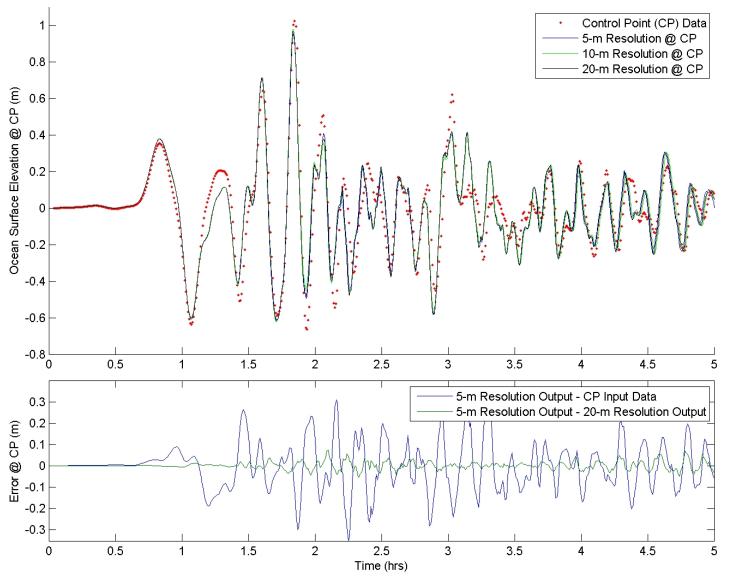
Flow Speed (m/s), Time (hr) = 0.1



Vertical Vorticity (1/s), Time (hr) = 0.05



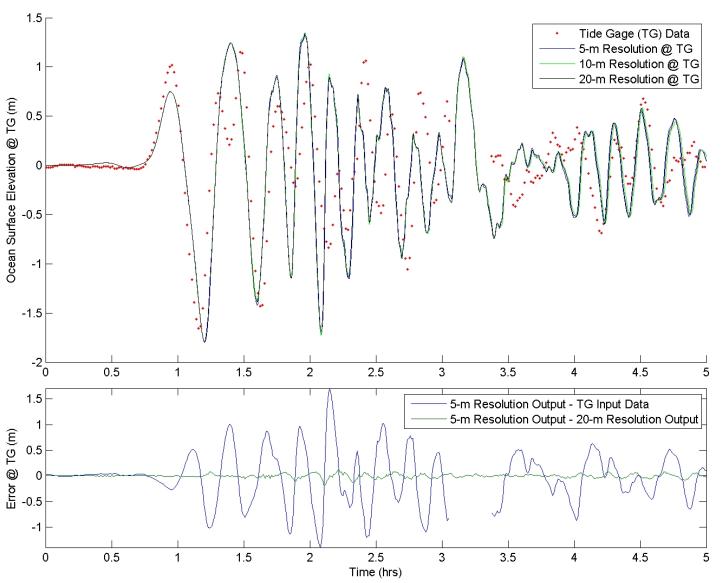
Benchmark #2 – Model Comparisons @ Control Point



All model runs are producing the same input wave (to within ~ 3cm)

Reproduction of the CP input data good (but not perfect)

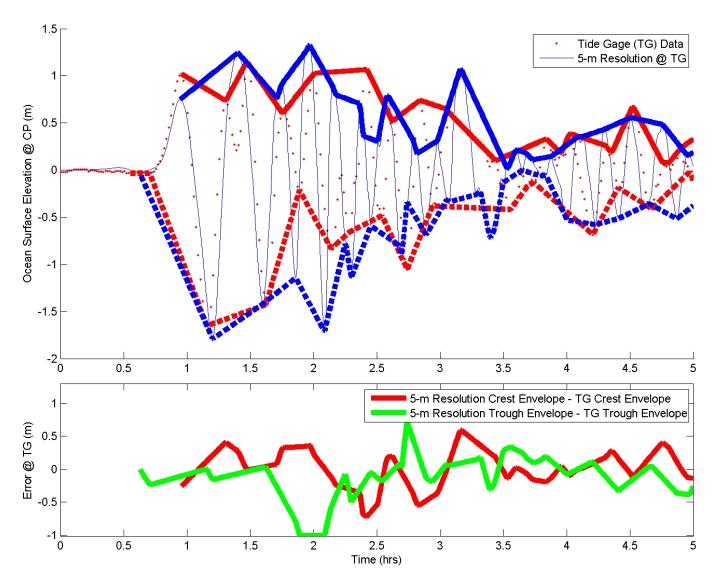
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Numerical convergence is excellent (to within a few cm)

OK agreement with data, but direct subtraction of time series may not be best approach...

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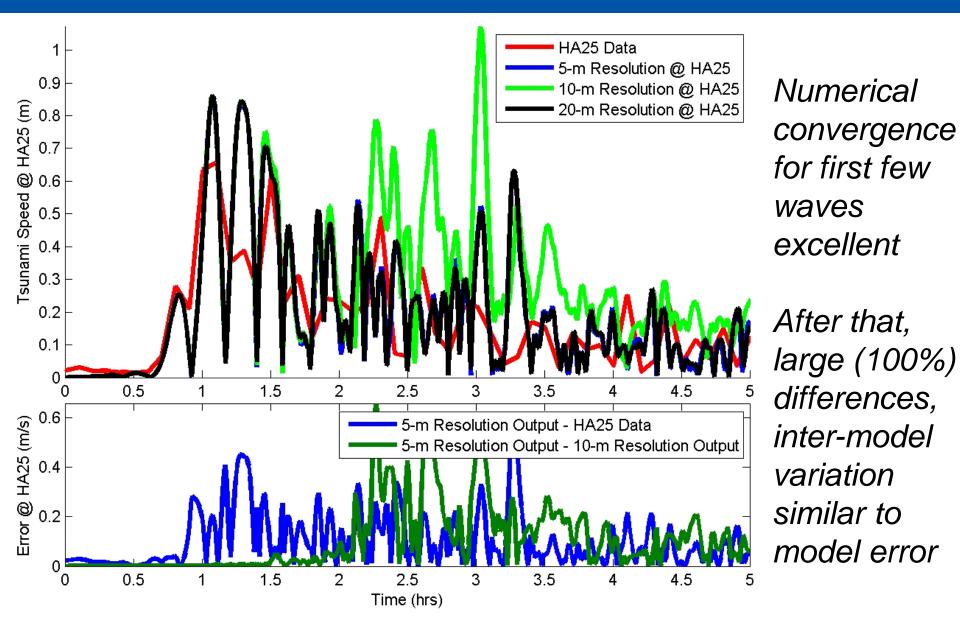
Comparing the envelopes of the time series gives a better picture

Agreement for first two waves excellent

Third/forth waves are OK

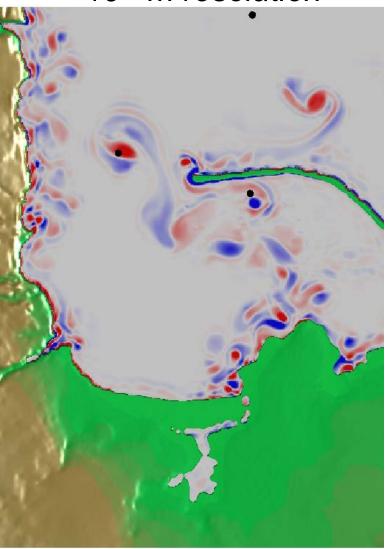
Good after

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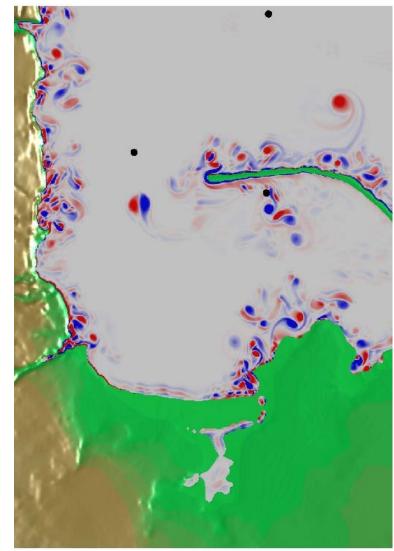


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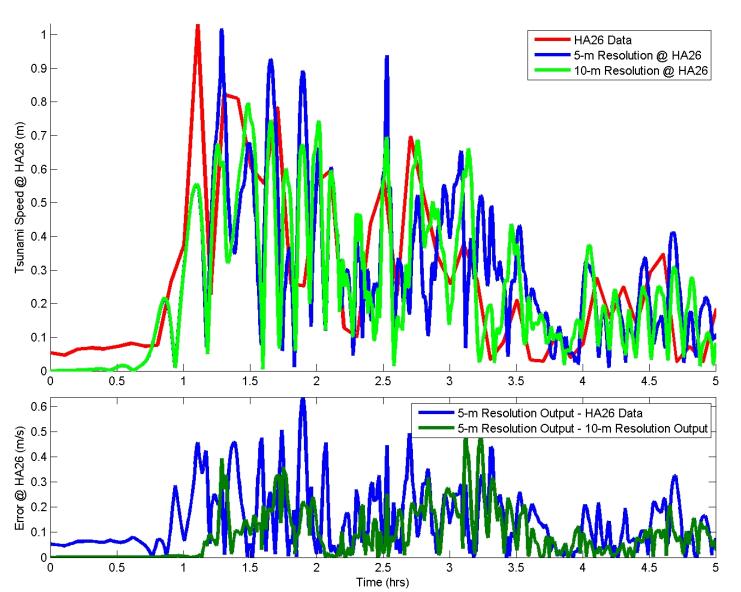
10 – m resolution



5 – *m* resolution



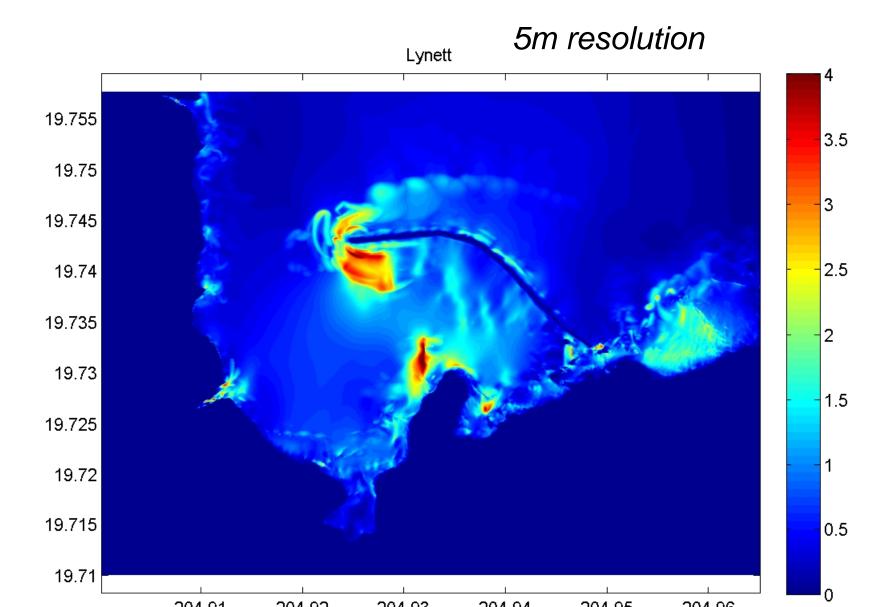
Benchmark #2 – Model Comparisons @ HA26



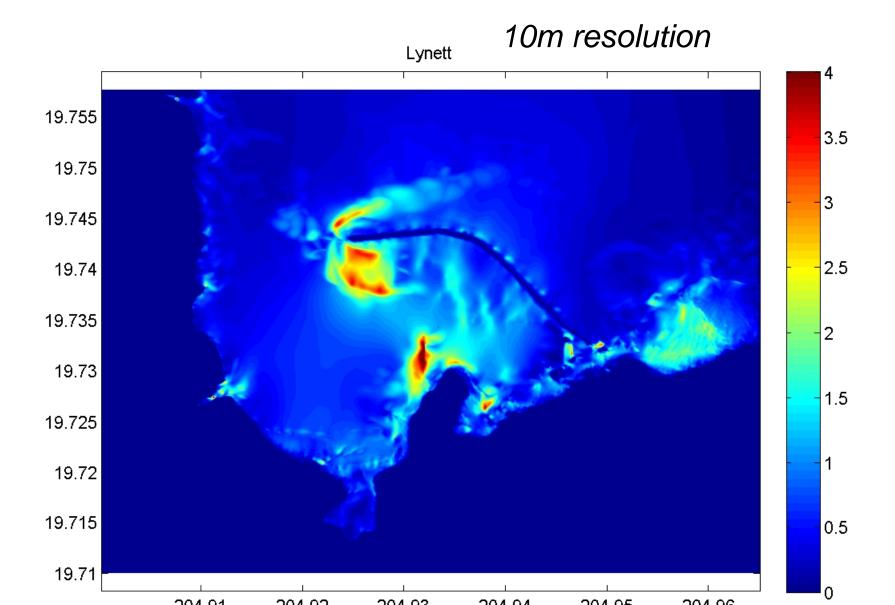
Numerical convergence only for first wave

After that, large (100%) differences, inter-model variation similar to model error

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- Free surface elevation predictions and velocity predictions in regions not effected by eddies show convergence with grid resolutions of no less than 20 m
- In regions that are effected by eddies, there is NO numerical convergence in the deterministic sense down to a resolution of at least 5 m
- In these regions, variations and data errors are on the order of 50-100% of the flow speed

 In areas where currents are effected or controlled by eddies, what value does a deterministic simulation of currents have?