

Some ROMS Algorithms

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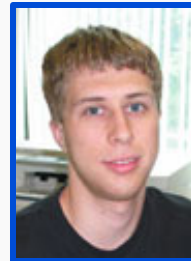
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Latest Releases

- **Revised wetting and drying algorithm:**
www.myroms.org/projects/src/ticket/648
- **Replaced the **SPLINES** option:**
www.myroms.org/projects/src/ticket/681
- **Corrected tracer horizontal diffusion algorithms:**
www.myroms.org/projects/src/ticket/689
- **Added Red Tide Ecosystem Model (Gulf of Maine):**
www.myroms.org/projects/src/ticket/694
- **Added Ensemble Kalman filter (EnKF) using the Data Assimilation Research Testbed (DART) developed at NCAR:**
www.myroms.org/projects/src/ticket/697
- **Added Staggered Grid (SGRID) data model conventions:**
www.myroms.org/projects/src/ticket/701
- **Major Update to all 4D-Var algorithms:**
www.myroms.org/projects/src/ticket/702
- **Added Quicksave output NetCDF file:**
www.myroms.org/projects/src/ticket/704

SPLINES Option

The **SPLINES** option was removed and replaced with following three options for more flexibility:

- **SPLINES_VDIFF**: conservative, parabolic splines reconstruction for vertical diffusion on active and passive tracers (`step3d_t.f`).
- **SPLINES_VVISC**: conservative, parabolic splines reconstruction for vertical diffusion on active and passive tracers (`step3d_uv.f`).
- **RI_SPLINES**: conservative, parabolic splines reconstruction for vertical velocity shear used in the Richardson Number (`gls_corstep.F` and `my25_corstep.F`) and Bulk Richardson Number (`lmd_bkpp.F`, `lmd_skpp.F`, and `lmd_vmis.F`).

It was been reported that the **SPLINES** option violates the stress condition:

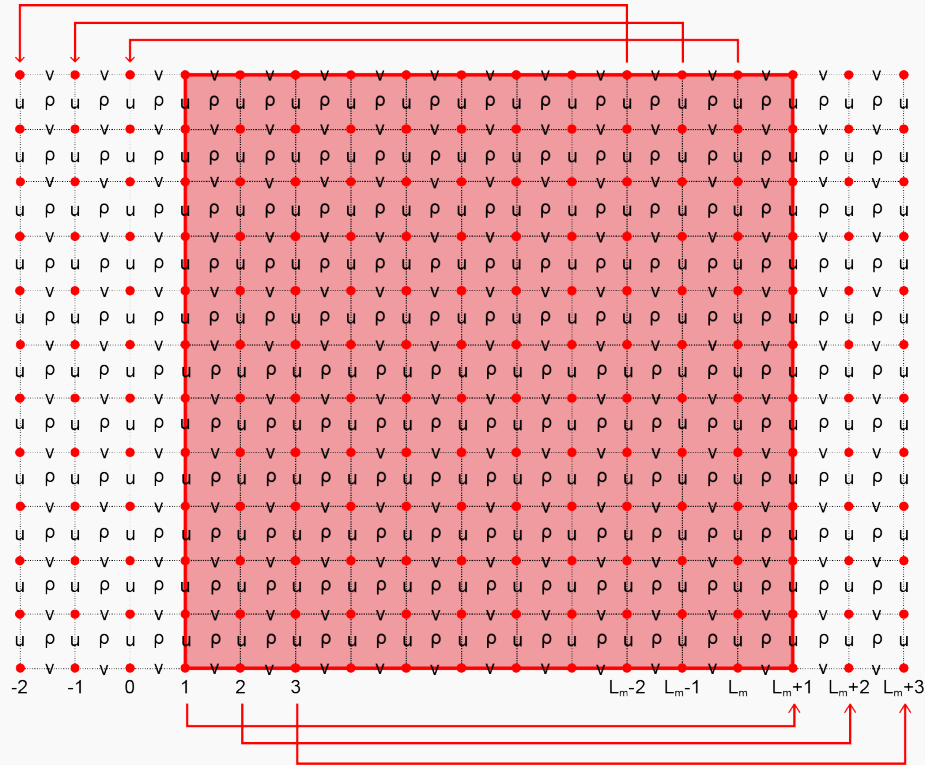
$$\text{sustr} = \text{Akv} * \text{du/dz}$$

$$\text{svstr} = \text{Akv} * \text{dv/dz}$$

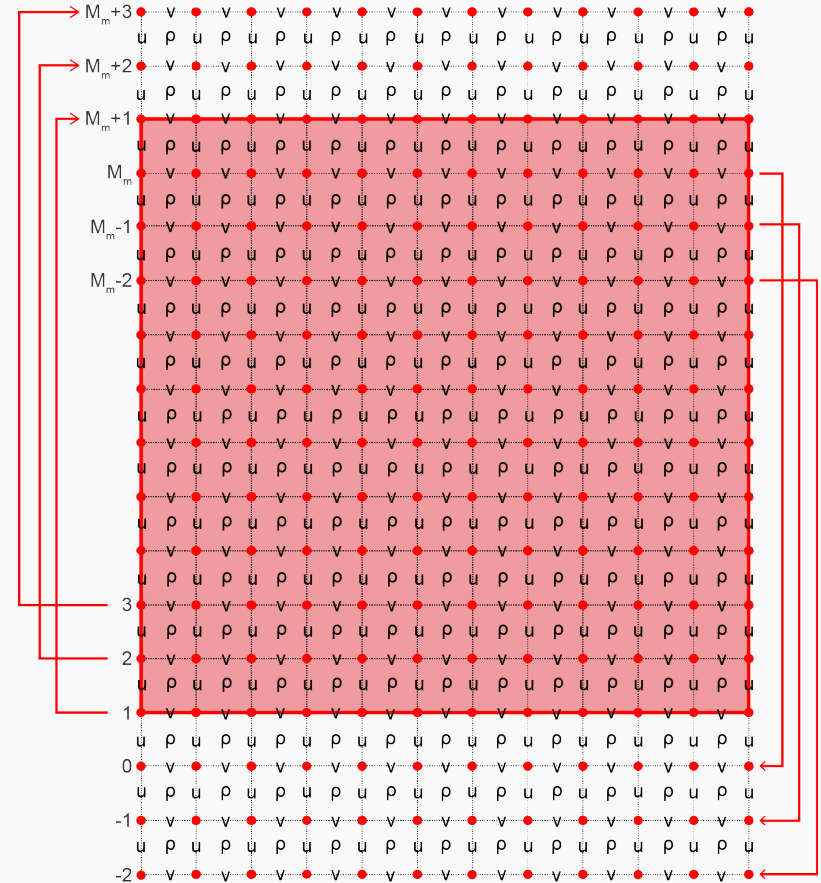
Check <https://www.myroms.org/projects/src/ticket/681>

**ROMS Nesting is very unique:
Inspiration**

Nesting Inspiration

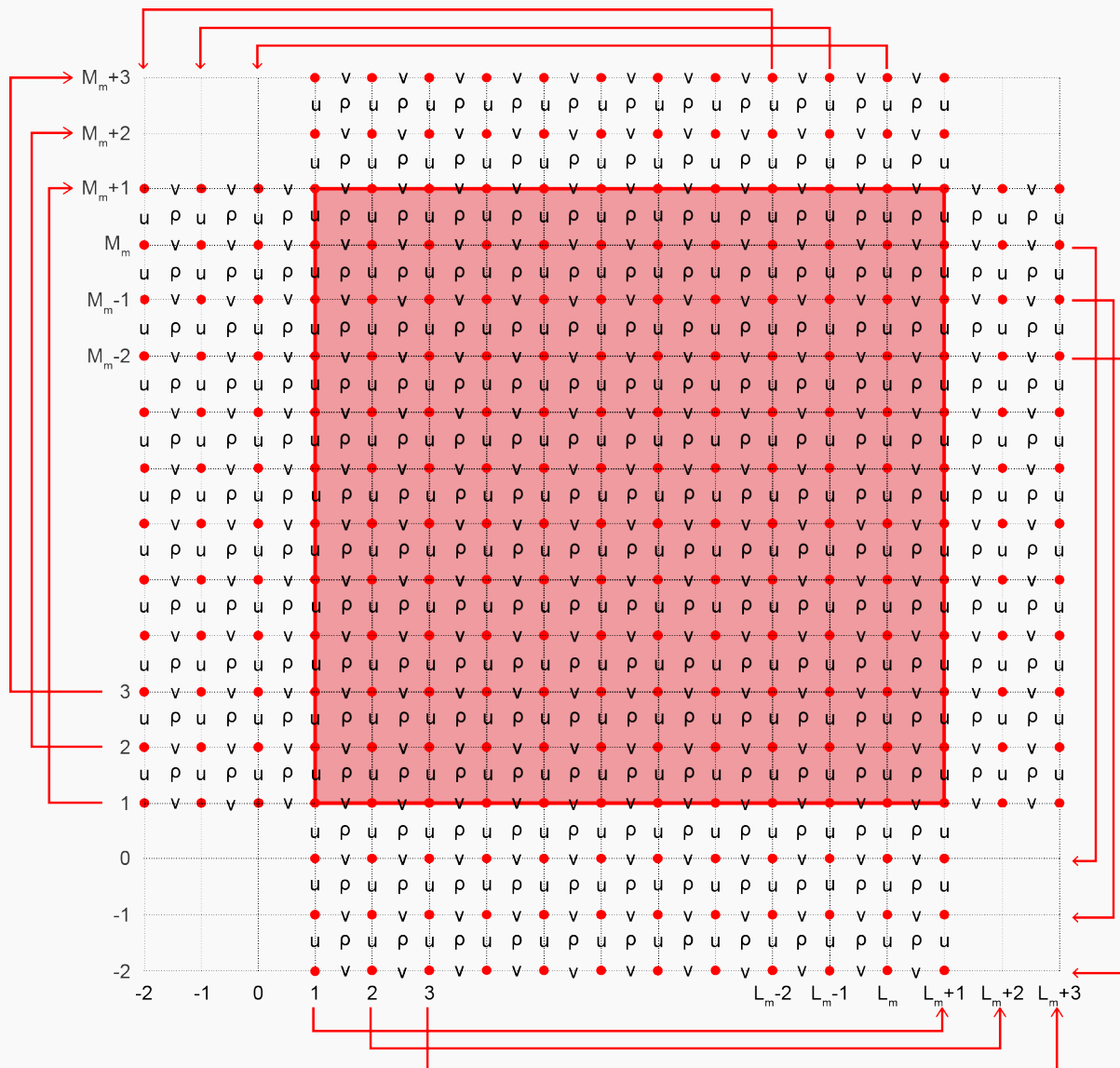


East-West Periodic



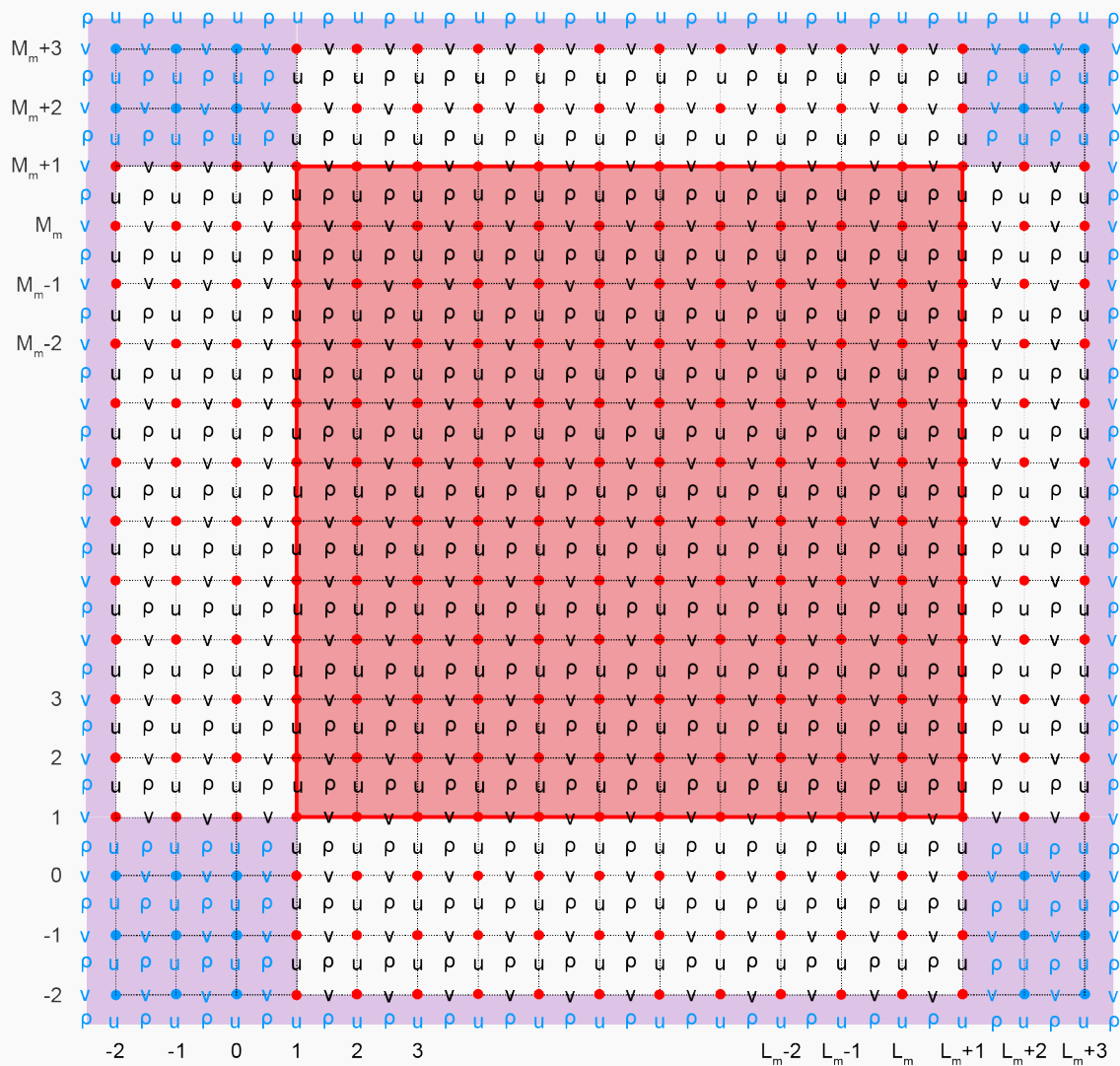
North-South Periodic

Nesting Inspiration



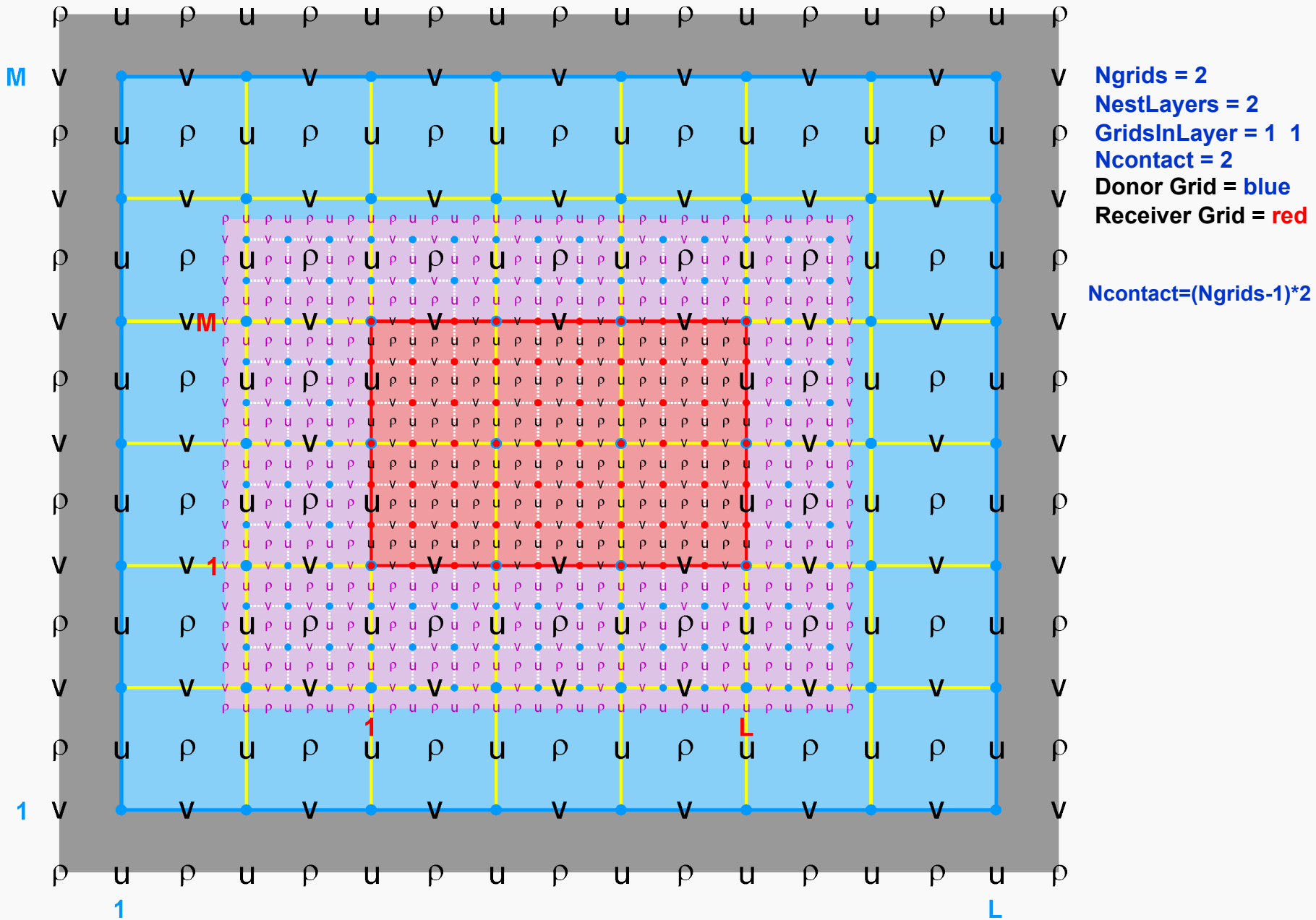
Double Periodic

Nesting Inspiration



Double Periodic to Refinement

Nested Grids: Refinement Class



Nesting Strategy

- The horizontal **i**- and **j**-ranges in the numerical kernel DO-loops are expanded to allow operations on various nested grid classes (refinement, mosaics, and composite) and nesting layers (refinement and composite combinations).

This facilitates the computation of any horizontal operators (advection, diffusion, gradient, etc.) in the **nesting overlap regions** and avoids the need for cumbersome lateral boundary conditions on the model variables and their associated flux/gradient values. The advantage of this approach is that it is generic to any discrete horizontal operator. The overlap region is an extended section of the grid that overlays an adjacent grid.

The strategy is to compute the full horizontal operator at the **contact points** between nested grids instead of specifying boundary conditions.

Nesting Strategy

- Nowadays, the lateral boundary conditions are set with logical switches (**LBC structure**) that depend on the nested grid.

This facilitates, in a generic way, the processing or not of lateral boundary conditions in applications with nested grids. In nesting applications, the values at the lateral boundary points are computed directly in the **overlap region** by the numerical kernel.

The **logical switches** allow different lateral boundary conditions types between active (temperature and salinity) and passive (biology, sediment, inert, etc.) tracers.

The lateral boundary condition switches for each state variable and boundary edge are now specified in ROMS input script file, **ocean.in**.

Nesting Strategy

- The nesting calls appear only in the main time-stepping routines, **main2d** or **main3d**. The concept of **nesting layers** is introduced to allow applications with both composite grids and refinement grids. Several routines in module **nesting_mod** are used to process the information that it is required in the overlap region, **what** information needs to be exchanged from/to another grid, and **when** to exchange it.

In mosaic and composed grids, the information is exchanged between each **sub-time step** call in **main2d** or **main3d**. For example, the data donor grid and the mosaic/composite grids need to sub-time step the 2D momentum equations before any of them start solving and coupling the 3D momentum equations.

In refinement grids, the information at the contact points is processed at the **end** of the full time-step layer. The exchange between data donor and refinement grids is **two-way**.

Tile I- and J-Ranges

get_bounds.F

Istr = BOUNDS(ng) % **Istr** (tile)
IstrB = BOUNDS(ng) % **IstrB** (tile)
IstrM = BOUNDS(ng) % **IstrM** (tile)
IstrP = BOUNDS(ng) % **IstrP** (tile)
IstrR = BOUNDS(ng) % **IstrR** (tile)
IstrT = BOUNDS(ng) % **IstrT** (tile)
IstrU = BOUNDS(ng) % **IstrU** (tile)

lend = BOUNDS(ng) % **lend** (tile)
lendB = BOUNDS(ng) % **lendB** (tile)
lendP = BOUNDS(ng) % **lendP** (tile)
lendR = BOUNDS(ng) % **lendR** (tile)
lendT = BOUNDS(ng) % **lendT** (tile)

Jstr = BOUNDS(ng) % **Jstr** (tile)
JstrB = BOUNDS(ng) % **JstrB** (tile)
JstrM = BOUNDS(ng) % **JstrM** (tile)
JstrP = BOUNDS(ng) % **JstrP** (tile)
JstrR = BOUNDS(ng) % **JstrR** (tile)
JstrT = BOUNDS(ng) % **JstrT** (tile)
JstrV = BOUNDS(ng) % **JstrV** (tile)

Jend = BOUNDS(ng) % **Jend** (tile)
JendB = BOUNDS(ng) % **JendB** (tile)
JendP = BOUNDS(ng) % **JendP** (tile)
JendR = BOUNDS(ng) % **JendR** (tile)
JendT = BOUNDS(ng) % **JendT** (tile)

Istrm3 = BOUNDS(ng) % **Istrm3** (tile)
Istrm2 = BOUNDS(ng) % **Istrm2** (tile)
Istrm1 = BOUNDS(ng) % **Istrm1** (tile)
IstrUm2 = BOUNDS(ng) % **IstrUm2** (tile)
IstrUm1 = BOUNDS(ng) % **IstrUm1** (tile)

lendp1 = BOUNDS(ng) % **lendp1** (tile)
lendp2 = BOUNDS(ng) % **lendp2** (tile)
lendp2i = BOUNDS(ng) % **lendp2i** (tile)
lendp3 = BOUNDS(ng) % **lendp3** (tile)

Jstrm3 = BOUNDS(ng) % **Jstrm3** (tile)
Jstrm2 = BOUNDS(ng) % **Jstrm2** (tile)
Jstrm1 = BOUNDS(ng) % **Jstrm1** (tile)
JstrVm2 = BOUNDS(ng) % **JstrVm2** (tile)
JstrVm1 = BOUNDS(ng) % **JstrVm1** (tile)

Jendp1 = BOUNDS(ng) % **Jendp1** (tile)
Jendp2 = BOUNDS(ng) % **Jendp2** (tile)
Jendp2i = BOUNDS(ng) % **Jendp2i** (tile)
Jendp3 = BOUNDS(ng) % **Jendp3** (tile)

Istr-3
Istr-2
Istr-1
IstrU-2
IstrU-1

lend+1
lend+2
lend+2 interior
lend+3

Jstr-3
Jstr-2
Jstr-1
JstrV-2
JstrV-1

Jend+1
Jend+2
Jend+2 interior
Jend+3

Suffix:

R : tile RHO-points
U : tile U-points
V : tile V-points

B : Boundary tile RHO- and V-points
M : Boundary tile PSI- and U-points
P : Nesting PSI-, U-, and V-points
T : Nesting RHO-points

Boundary Tile Indices

If not nesting grids, the additional boundary tile indices associated with nesting are set to:

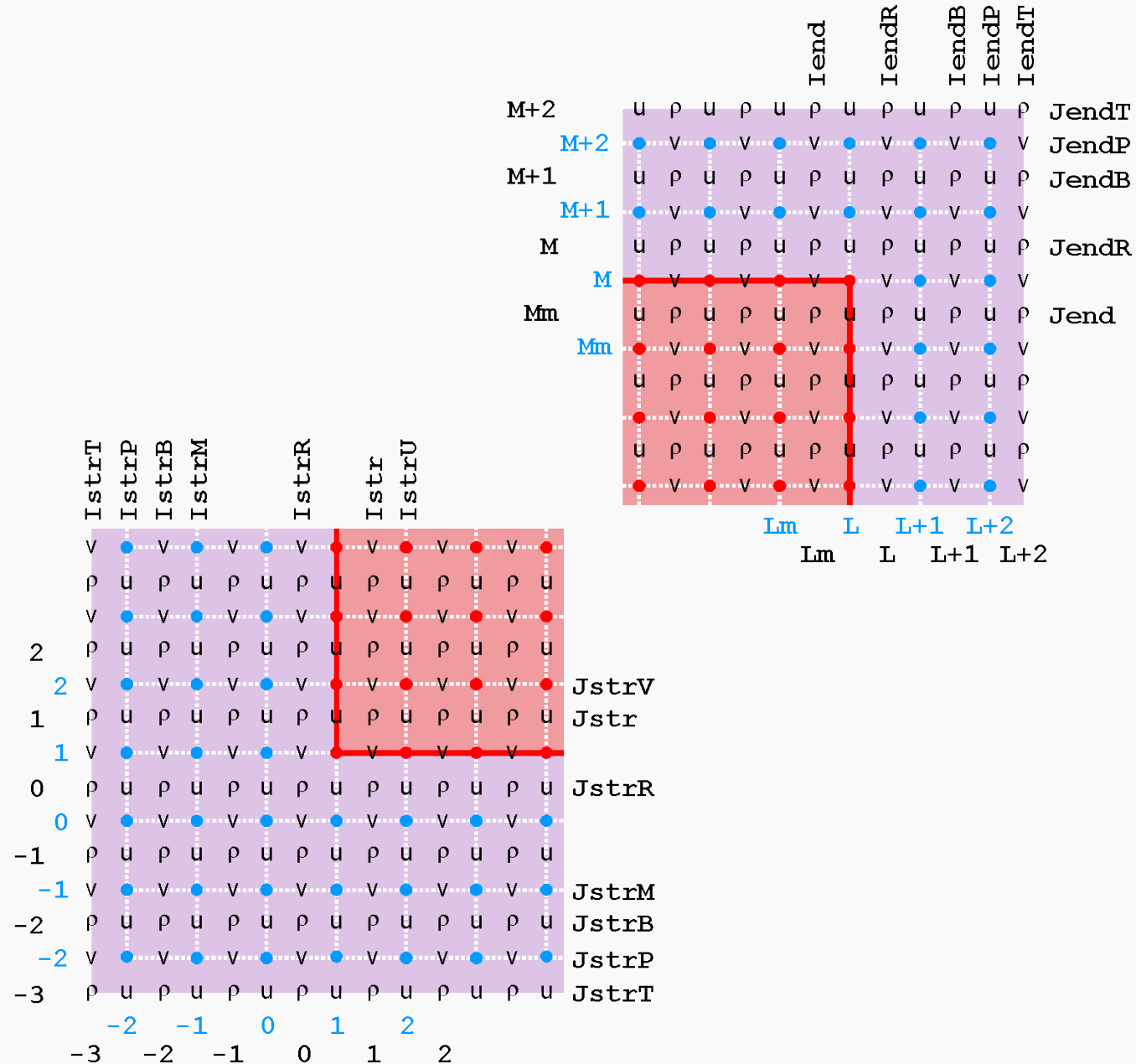
IstrT = IstrR	full range, starting I- direction (RHO-point)
IendT = IendR	full range, ending I- direction (RHO-point)
JstrT = JstrR	full range, starting J-direction (RHO-point)
JendT = JendR	full range, ending J-direction (RHO-point)

IstrP = Istr	full range, starting I- direction (PSI-, U-point)
IendP = Iend	full range, ending I- direction (PSI-point)
JstrP = Jstr	full range, starting J-direction (PSI-, V-point)
JendP = Jend	full range, ending J-direction (PSI-point)

IstrB = Istr	interior range, starting I- direction (RHO-, V-point)
IendB = Iend	interior range, ending I- direction (RHO-, V-point)
JstrB = Jstr	interior range, starting J-direction (RHO-, U-point)
JendB = Jend	interior range, ending J-direction (RHO-, U-point)

IstrM = IstrU	interior range, starting I- direction (PSI-, U-point)
JstrM = JstrV	interior range, starting J-direction (PSI-, V-point)

Boundary Tile Indices Locations



Lateral Boundary Conditions Structure

TYPE T_LBC

logical :: acquire

process lateral boundary data

logical :: Chapman_explicit

logical :: Chapman_implicit

logical :: clamped

logical :: closed

logical :: Flather

logical :: gradient

logical :: nested

logical :: nudging

logical :: periodic

logical :: radiation

logical :: reduced

logical :: Shchepetkin

END TYPE T_LBC

TYPE (T_LBC), allocatable :: LBC(:, :, :)

For example, for free-surface gradient boundary conditions we have:

LBC(iwest, isFsur, ng) % gradient

LBC(ieast, isFsur, ng) % gradient

LBC(isouth, isFsur, ng) % gradient

LBC(inorth, isFsur, ng) % gradient

Lateral Boundary Conditions Code

For Example, in zetabc.F the western boundary conditions are:

```
IF ( DOMAIN (ng) % Western_Edge(tile) ) THEN
```

```
    IF ( LBC (iwest, isFsur, ng) % radiation ) THEN
```

```
        ...
```

```
    ELSE IF ( LBC (iwest, isFsur, ng) % Chapman_explicit ) THEN
```

```
        ...
```

```
    ELSE IF ( LBC (iwest, isFsur, ng) % Chapman_implicit ) THEN
```

```
        ...
```

```
    ELSE IF ( LBC (iwest, isFsur, ng) % clamped ) THEN
```

```
        ...
```

```
    ELSE IF ( LBC (iwest, isFsur, ng) % gradient ) THEN
```

```
        ...
```

```
    ELSE IF ( LBC (iwest, isFsur, ng) % closed ) THEN
```

```
        DO j = Jstr, Jend
```

```
            IF ( LBC_apply (ng) % west ( j ) ) THEN
```

```
                zeta ( lstr-1, j, kout ) = zeta ( lstr, j, kout )
```

```
            END IF
```

```
        END DO
```

```
    END IF
```

```
END IF
```

! Allows both specified and
! nested conditions

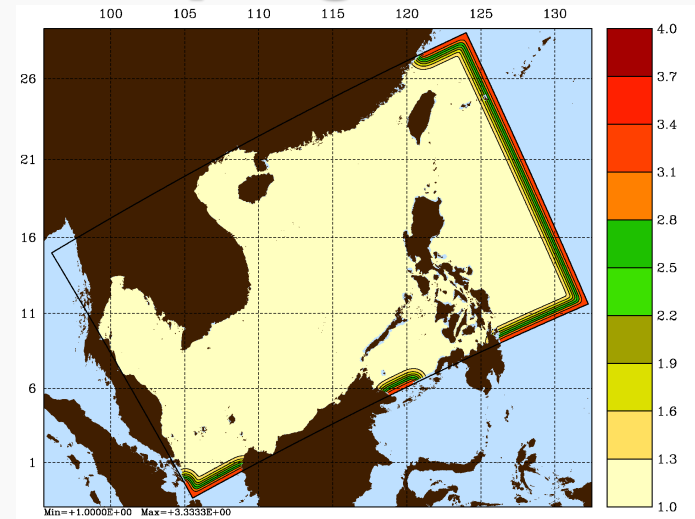
Viscosity and Diffusion Sponges

The horizontal viscosity is now computed as:

```
visc2_r(i,j) = visc_factor(i,j)  visc2_r(i,j)
visc4_r(i,j) = visc_factor(i,j)  visc4_r(i,j)
```

And the horizontal diffusion is now computed as:

```
diff2(i,j,itrc) = diff_factor(i,j)  diff2(i,j,itrc)
diff4(i,j,itrc) = diff_factor(i,j)  diff4(i,j,itrc)
```



The horizontal mixing coefficients (**visc_factor** and **diff_factor**) can be set with analytical functions using **ANA_SPONGE** or can be read from input GRID NetCDF file variables:

```
double visc_factor (eta_rho, xi_rho) ;
    visc_factor:long_name = "horizontal viscosity sponge factor" ;
    visc_factor:valid_min = 0. ;
    visc_factor:coordinates = "lon_rho lat_rho" ;
```

```
double diff_factor (eta_rho, xi_rho) ;
    diff_factor:long_name = "horizontal diffusivity sponge factor" ;
    diff_factor:valid_min = 0. ;
    diff_factor:coordinates = "lon_rho lat_rho" ;
```

The Matlab script **add_sponge.m** can be used to append sponge variables to the application GRID NetCDF file

Standard Input File: Rivers and Sponges

Logical switches (TRUE/FALSE) to activate horizontal momentum transport point Sources/Sinks (like river runoff transport) and mass point Sources/Sinks (like volume vertical influx), [1:Ngrids].

LuvSrc == 3***F** ! horizontal momentum transport
LwSrc == 3***F** ! volume vertical influx

Logical switches (TRUE/FALSE) to activate tracers point Sources/Sinks (like river runoff) and to specify which tracer variables to consider: [1:NAT+NPT,Ngrids]. See glossary below for details.

LtracerSrc == 2***F** **2*****F** **2*****F** ! temperature, salinity, inert

Logical switches (TRUE/FALSE) to increase/decrease horizontal viscosity and/or diffusivity in specific areas of the application domain (like sponge areas) for the desired application grid.

LuvSponge == 3***F** ! horizontal momentum
LtracerSponge == 2***F** **2*****F** **2*****F** ! temperature, salinity, inert

Standard Input File: Climatology and Nudging

Logical switches (TRUE/FALSE) to read and process climatology fields. See glossary below for details.

LsshCLM == 3***F** ! sea-surface height

Lm2CLM == 3***F** ! 2D momentum

Lm3CLM == 3***F** ! 3D momentum

LtracerCLM == 2***F** **2*****F** **2*****F** ! temperature, salinity, inert

Logical switches (TRUE/FALSE) to nudge the desired climatology field(s). If not analytical climatology fields, users need to turn ON the logical switches above to process the fields from the climatology NetCDF file that are needed for nudging. See glossary below for details.

LnudgeM2CLM == 3***F** ! 2D momentum

LnudgeM3CLM == 3***F** ! 3D momentum

LnudgeTCLM == 2***F** **2*****F** **2*****F** ! temperature, salinity, inert

Nudging Coefficients Metadata

The inverse (**1/time**) nudging coefficients can be set with analytical functions using **ANA_NUDGCOEF** or can be read from new input **NUDNAME** NetCDF file variables:

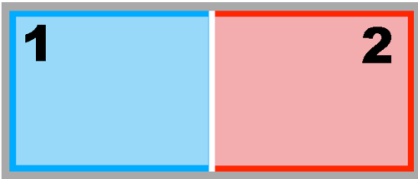
```
double M2_NudgeCoef (eta_rho, xi_rho) ;  
    M2_NudgeCoef:long_name = "2D momentum inverse nudging coefficients" ;  
    M2_NudgeCoef:units = "day-1" ;  
    M2_NudgeCoef:coordinates = "xi_rho eta_rho " ;  
  
double M3_NudgeCoef (s_rho, eta_rho, xi_rho) ;  
    M3_NudgeCoef:long_name = "3D momentum inverse nudging coefficients" ;  
    M3_NudgeCoef:units = "day-1" ;  
    M3_NudgeCoef:coordinates = "xi_rho eta_rho s_rho " ;  
  
double tracer_NudgeCoef (s_rho, eta_rho, xi_rho) ;  
    tracer_NudgeCoef:long_name = "generic tracer inverse nudging coefficients" ;  
    tracer_NudgeCoef:units = "day-1" ;  
    tracer_NudgeCoef:coordinates = "xi_rho eta_rho s_rho " ;  
  
double temp_NudgeCoef (s_rho, eta_rho, xi_rho) ;  
    temp_NudgeCoef:long_name = "temp inverse nudging coefficients" ;  
    temp_NudgeCoef:units = "day-1" ;  
    temp_NudgeCoef:coordinates = "xi_rho eta_rho s_rho " ;  
  
double salt_NudgeCoef (s_rho, eta_rho, xi_rho) ;  
    salt_NudgeCoef:long_name = "salt inverse nudging coefficients" ;  
    salt_NudgeCoef:units = "day-1" ;  
    salt_NudgeCoef:coordinates = "xi_rho eta_rho s_rho " ;
```

Nesting Configuration Types

- **Composite Grids Super-Class:**
 - 1. Mosaic Grids Sub-Class**
 - 2. Composite Overlap Grids Sub-Class**
 - 3. Complex Estuary Composite Grids Sub-Class**
 - 4. Partial Boundary Composite Grids Sub-Class**
- **Refinement Grids Super-Class:**
 - 1. Single Refinement Sub-Class**
 - 2. Multiple Refinement Sub-Class**
- **Composite and Refinement Combination Super-Class:**
 - 1. Refinement and Partial Boundary Composite Sub-Class**
 - 2. Complex Estuary Refinement-Composite Sub-Class**

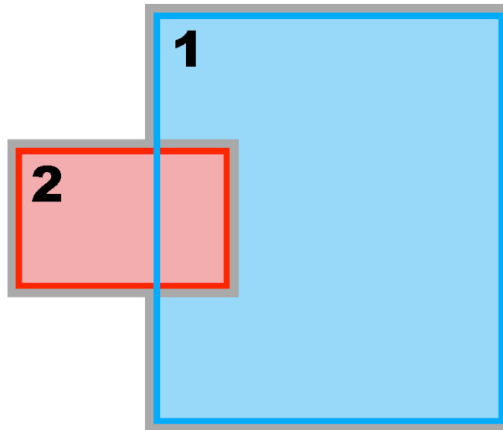
Nesting Classes

a



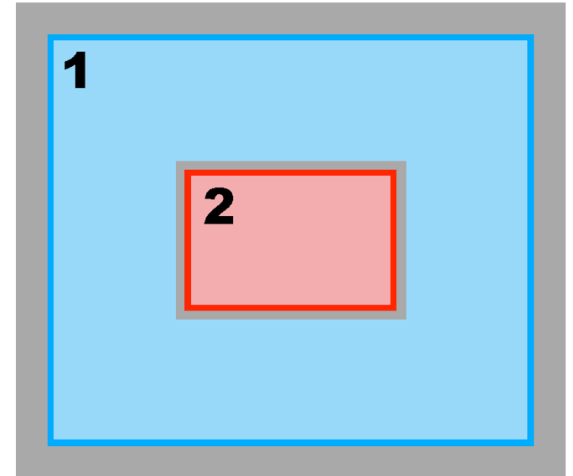
Mosaic

b



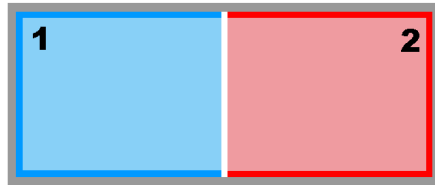
Composite

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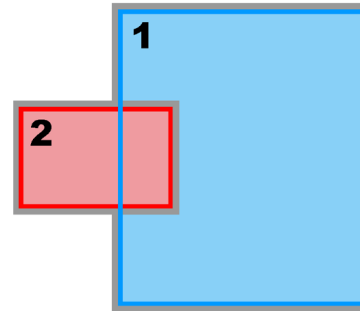
Refinement

Composite Grid Sub-Classes



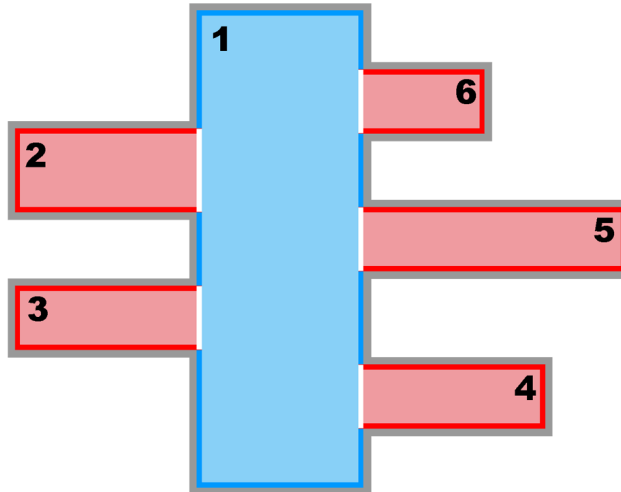
Mosaic Sub-Class:

Ngrids = 2
NestedLayers = 1
GridsInLayer = 2
Ncontact = 2



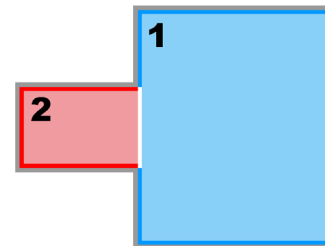
Composite Overlap Sub-Class:

Ngrids = 2
NestedLayers = 1
GridsInLayer = 2
Ncontact = 2



Complex Estuary Composite Sub-Class:

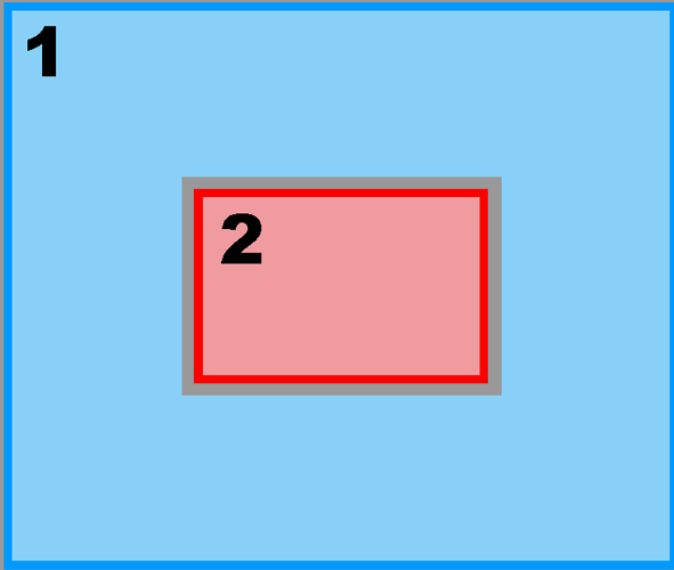
Ngrids = 6
NestedLayers = 1
GridsInLayer = 6
Ncontact = 10



Partial Boundary Composite Sub-Class:

Ngrids = 2
NestedLayers = 1
GridsInLayer = 2
Ncontact = 2

Refinement Grid Sub-Classes



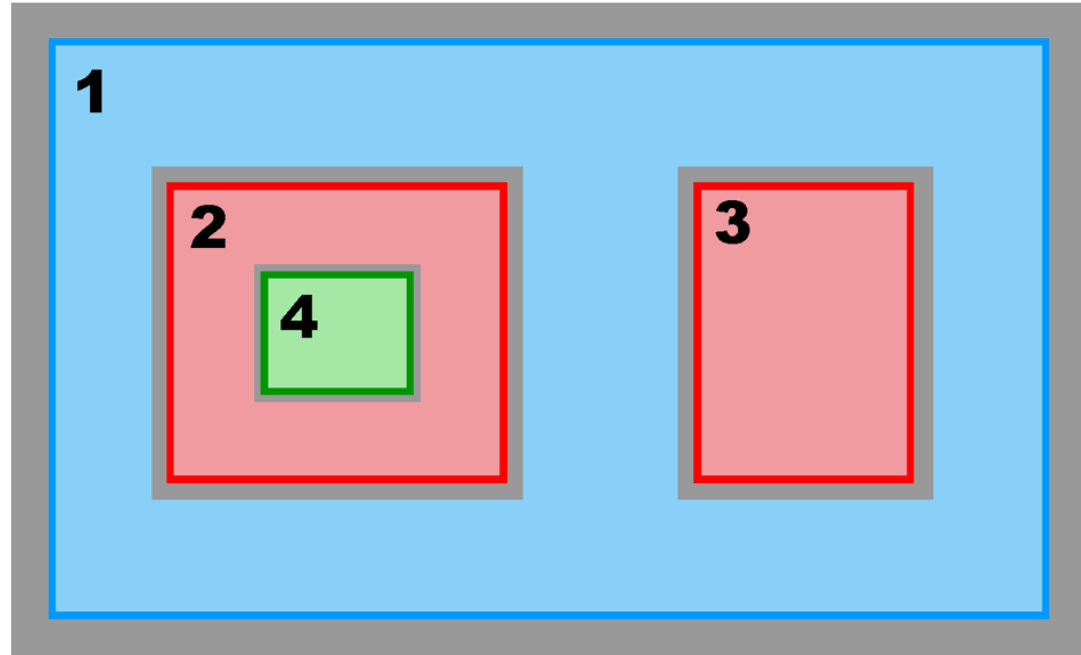
Single Refinement Sub-Class:

Ngrids = 2

NestedLayers = 2

GridsInLayer = 1 1

Ncontact = 2



Multiple Refinement Sub-Class:

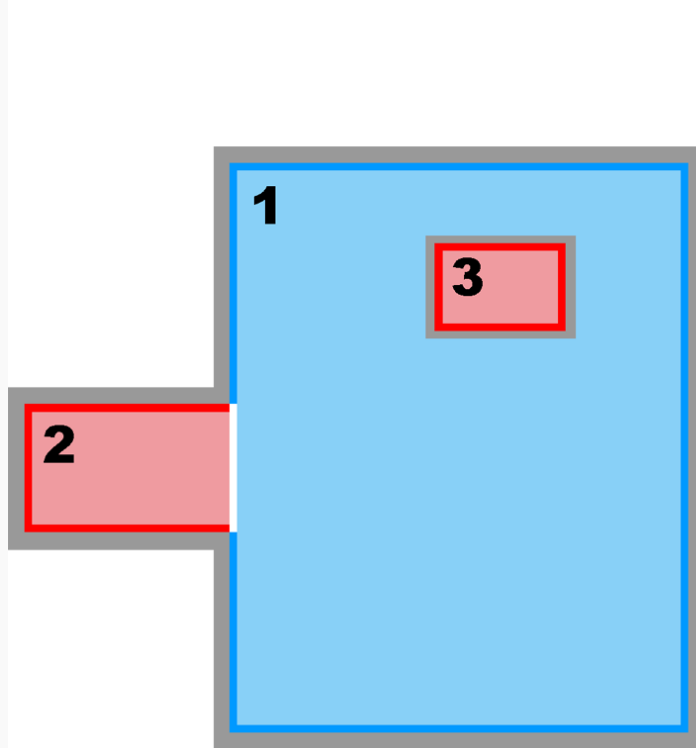
Ngrids = 4

NestedLayers = 3

GridsInLayer = 1 2 1

Ncontact = 6

Composite-Refinement Grid Sub-Classes



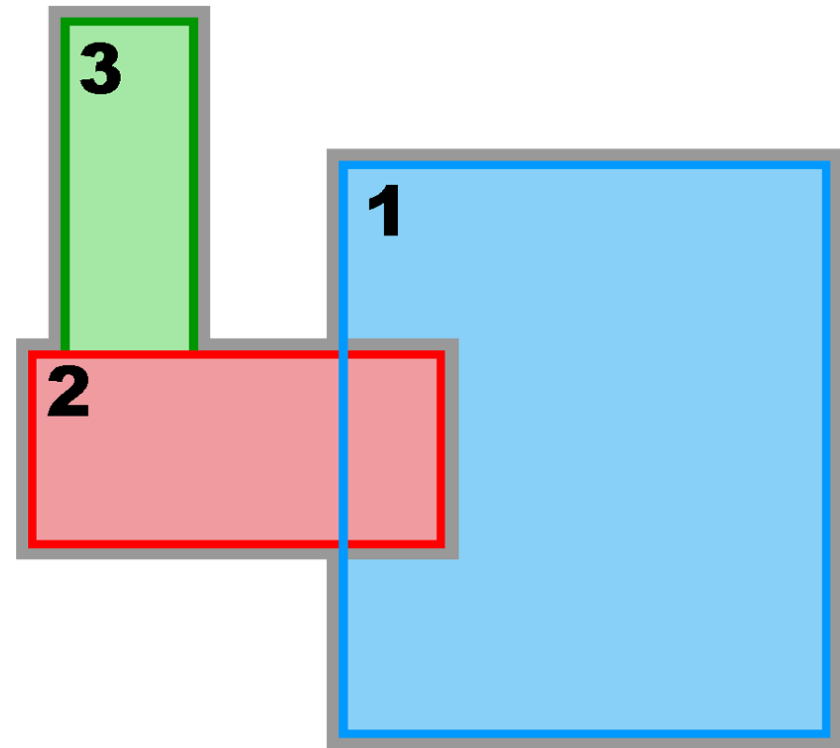
Refinement and Partial Boundary Composite Sub-Class:

Ngrids = 3

NestedLayers = 2

GridsInLayer = 2 1

Ncontact = 4



Complex Estuary Refinement-Composite Sub-Class:

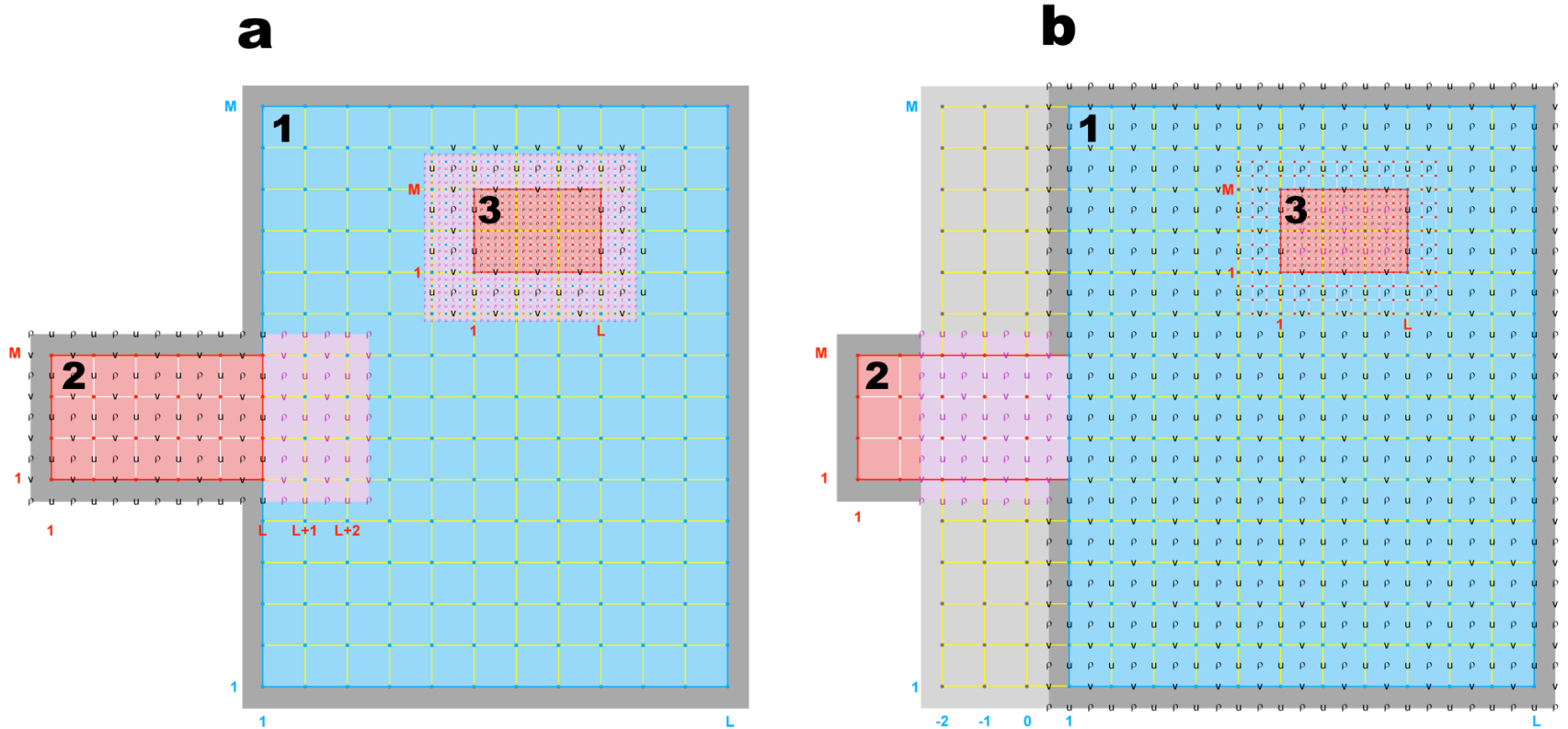
Ngrids = 3

NestedLayers = 2

GridsInLayer = 1 2

Ncontact = 4

Contact Areas and Points



Refinement-Composite Sub-Class

Contact Areas and Points: Definitions

Contact Region (cr): Extended section of the nested grid that overlays an adjacent nested grid. It is the region where the exchange of data between nested grids takes place. Since ROMS nesting is two-way by default, there are $N_{\text{contact}} = (N_{\text{grids}} - 1) * 2$ contact regions, where N_{grids} is the number of nested grids and N_{contact} is the number of contact regions in a nested application. There is a duality in ROMS grid nesting: **data donor** in one contact region and **data receiver** in its conjugate contact region. Each contact region has a **donor** and a **receiver** grid.

Contact Points: Grid cells inside a contact region. Since ROMS governing equations are solved in an Arakawa **C-grid**, there are contact points at **p**-, **Ψ**-, **u**-, and **v**-points. However, the **Ψ**-points are only used to define the physical grid perimeters within a contact region. Since the **C-grid** stencil indices in ROMS are left-bottom ordered, there are always 4 **p** contact points at the left and bottom side of the contact region. On the other hand, there are 3 **p** contact points on the right and top side of the contact region.

Donor Grid (dg): Data source grid in a nesting contact region. In refinement, the donor grid is used either to interpolate data from coarse to fine grid or to average data from fine to coarse grid (two-way feedback).

Receiver Grid (rg): Data recipient grid in a nesting contact region. In refinement, the contact points of the finer receiver grid are interpolated using the coarser donor data from the grid cell containing the contact point. The interpolation can be linear or quadratic. In **two-way** nesting, when the coarse grid is the receiver grid the finer grid solution is averaged within the coarse cell. The coarse grid cell value is replaced with the finer grid averaged solution. This takes place in routine **fine2coarse**.

Nesting Layer: Nested grids time-step arrangement and order for the ROMS numerical kernel. It is directly related to the time-step size (**dt**) for each nested grid. The number of nested layers, **NestLayers**, is specified in standard input script (**ocean.in**) and should be equal to the different number of time-step size (**dt**).

Contact Regions and Contact Points

Contact Points Structure

integer :: **Ncontact**

total number of contact regions

TYPE T_NGC

logical :: **coincident**

coincident donor and receiver points, **p=q=0**

logical :: **interpolate**

perform vertical interpolation

integer :: **donor_grid**

data donor grid number

integer :: **receiver_grid**

data receiver grid number

integer :: **Npoints**

integer, pointer :: **ldg** (:)

donor grid, cell **I**-left index

integer, pointer :: **Jdg** (:)

donor grid, cell **J**-bottom index

integer, pointer :: **Kdg** (: , :)

donor grid, cell **K**-index

integer, pointer :: **lrg** (:)

receiver grid, **I**-contact point

integer, pointer :: **Jrg** (:)

receiver grid, **J**-contact point

real(r8), pointer :: **Lweight** (: , :)

linear horizontal weights

real(r8), pointer :: **LweightUnmasked** (: , :)

linear horizontal unmasked weights (**WET_DRY**)

real(r8), pointer :: **Qweight** (: , :)

quadratic horizontal weights

real(r8), pointer :: **QweightUnmasked** (: , :)

quadratic horizontal unmasked weights (**WET_DRY**)

real(r8), pointer :: **Vweight**(: , : , :)

vertical weights

END TYPE T_NGC

TYPE (T_NGC), allocatable :: **Rcontact** (:)

RHO-points

TYPE (T_NGC), allocatable :: **Ucontact** (:)

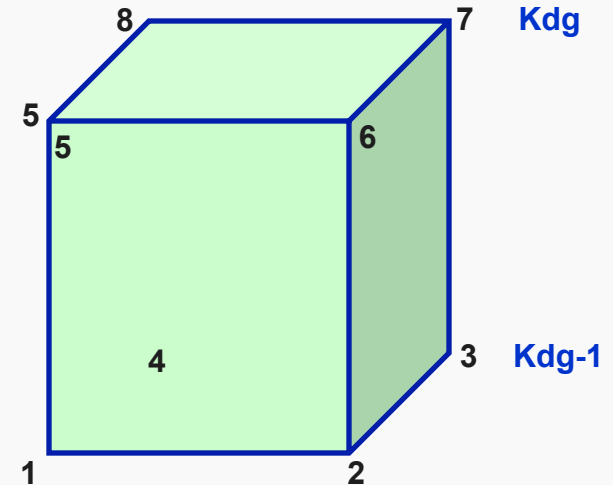
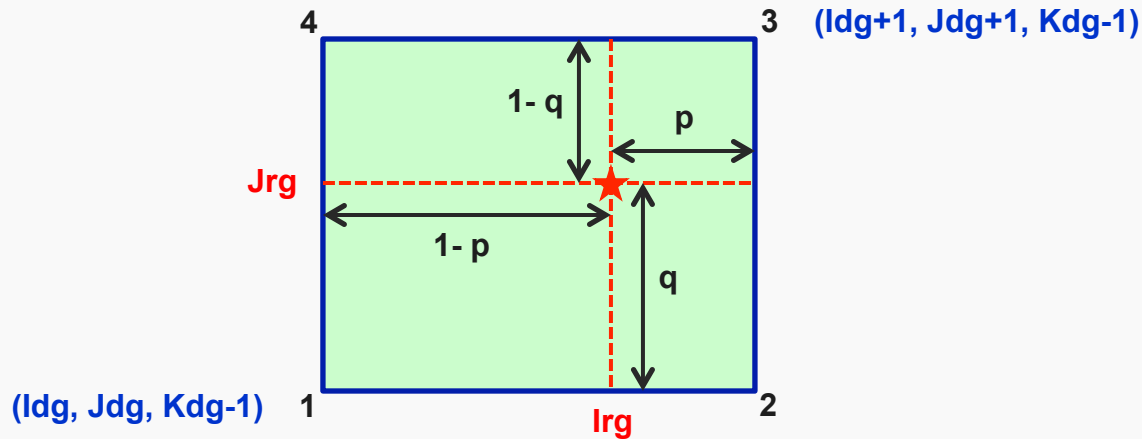
U-points

TYPE (T_NGC), allocatable :: **Vcontact** (:)

V-points

Contact Points Interpolation

Suffix: **dg** = donor grid
rg = receiver grid



$$\begin{aligned} \text{Lweight}(1, :) &= (1 - p) * (1 - q) \\ \text{Lweight}(2, :) &= p * (1 - q) \\ \text{Lweight}(3, :) &= p * q \\ \text{Lweight}(4, :) &= (1 - p) * q \end{aligned}$$

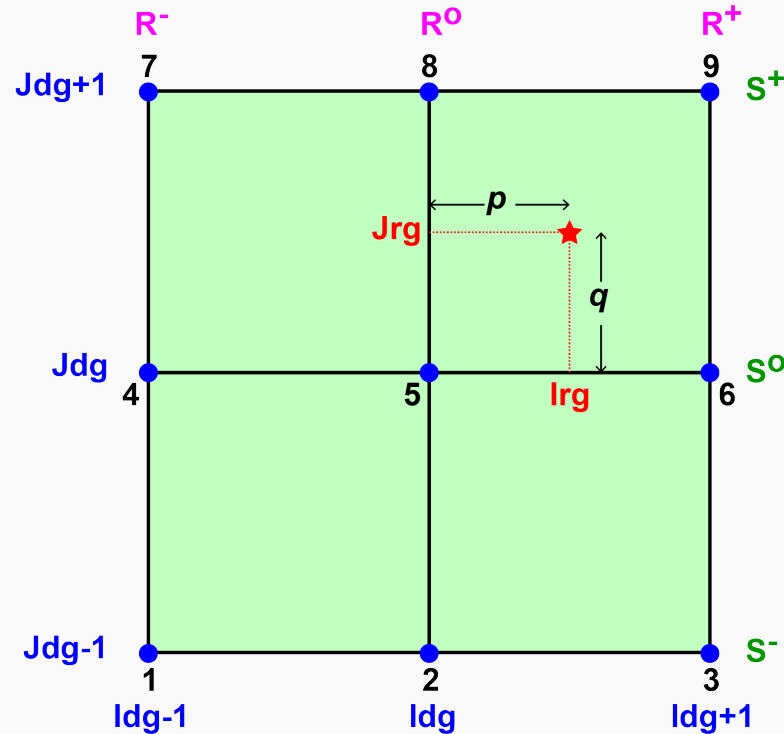
$$\begin{aligned} \text{Value}(lrg, jrg) &= \text{Lweight}(1,:) * \text{F2d}(ldg, jdg) + \\ &\text{Lweight}(2,:) * \text{F2d}(ldg+1, jdg) + \\ &\text{Lweight}(3,:) * \text{F2d}(ldg+1, jdg+1) + \\ &\text{Lweight}(4,:) * \text{F2d}(ldg, jdg+1) \end{aligned}$$

If coincident contact points between data donor and data receiver grids, $p = q = 0.0$,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Lweight}(1, :) &= 1.0 \\ \text{Lweight}(3, :) &= 0.0 \\ \text{Lweight}(4, :) &= 0.0 \\ \text{Lweight}(5, :) &= 0.0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Value}(lrg, jrg) = \text{Lweight}(1, :) * \text{F2d}(ldg, jdg)$$

Contact Points: Quadratic Interpolation



$$\begin{aligned} R^- &= 0.5 * p * (p-1) + \alpha \\ R^0 &= (1-p^2) - 2\alpha \\ R^+ &= 0.5 * p * (p+1) + \alpha \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} S^- &= 0.5 * q * (q-1) + \alpha \\ S^0 &= (1-q^2) - 2\alpha \\ S^+ &= 0.5 * q * (q+1) + \alpha \end{aligned}$$

The finer grid variable, **F**, is interpolated from the coarser grid variable, **C**, as:

$$\begin{aligned} F(Irg, Jrg) &= S^- * [R^- * C(Idg-1, Jdg-1) + R^0 * C(Idg, Jdg-1) + R^+ * C(Idg+1, Jdg-1)] + \\ &S^0 * [R^- * C(Idg-1, Jdg) + R^0 * C(Idg, Jdg) + R^+ * C(Idg+1, Jdg)] + \\ &S^+ * [R^- * C(Idg-1, Jdg+1) + R^0 * C(Idg, Jdg+1) + R^+ * C(Idg+1, Jdg+1)] \end{aligned}$$

Contact Points: Quadratic Interpolation

For conservation and reversibility, we need:

$$\alpha = \frac{\left(\frac{1}{r}\right)^2 - 1}{24}$$

where r is the grid refinement factor. The reversibility condition is:

$$C(i, j) = \frac{1}{r^2} \sum_1^{r^2} F(:, :)$$

Then, the quadratic interpolation weights are:

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Qweight (1, :) = R- * S-
Qweight (2, :) = Ro * S-
Qweight (3, :) = R+ * S-
Qweight (4, :) = R- * So
Qweight (5, :) = Ro * So
Qweight (6, :) = R+ * So
Qweight (7, :) = R- * S+
Qweight (8, :) = Ro * S+
Qweight (9, :) = R+ * S+
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$$\Sigma \text{Qweight}(1:9, :) = 1$$

Nested Grids: Multi-Refinement Class

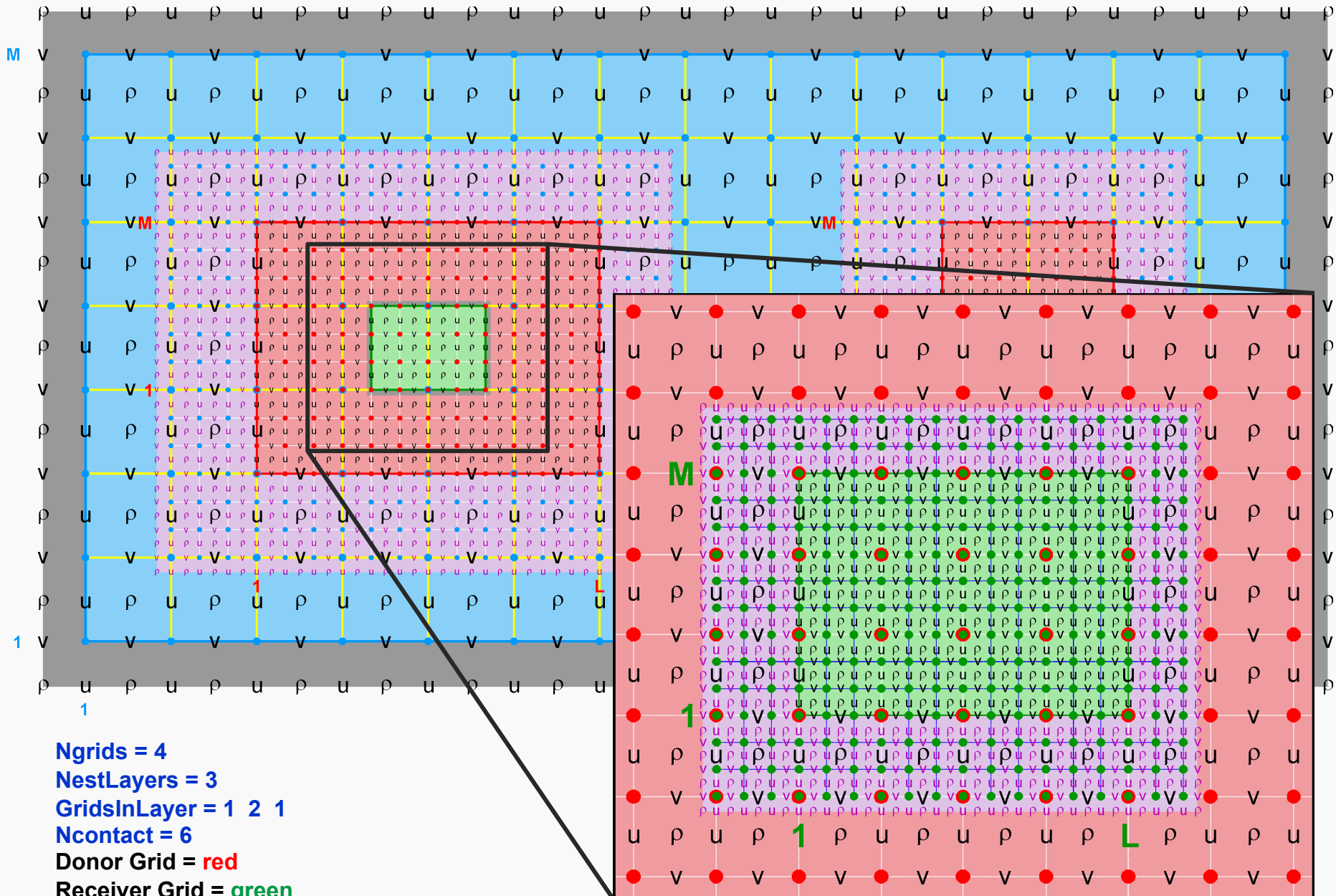
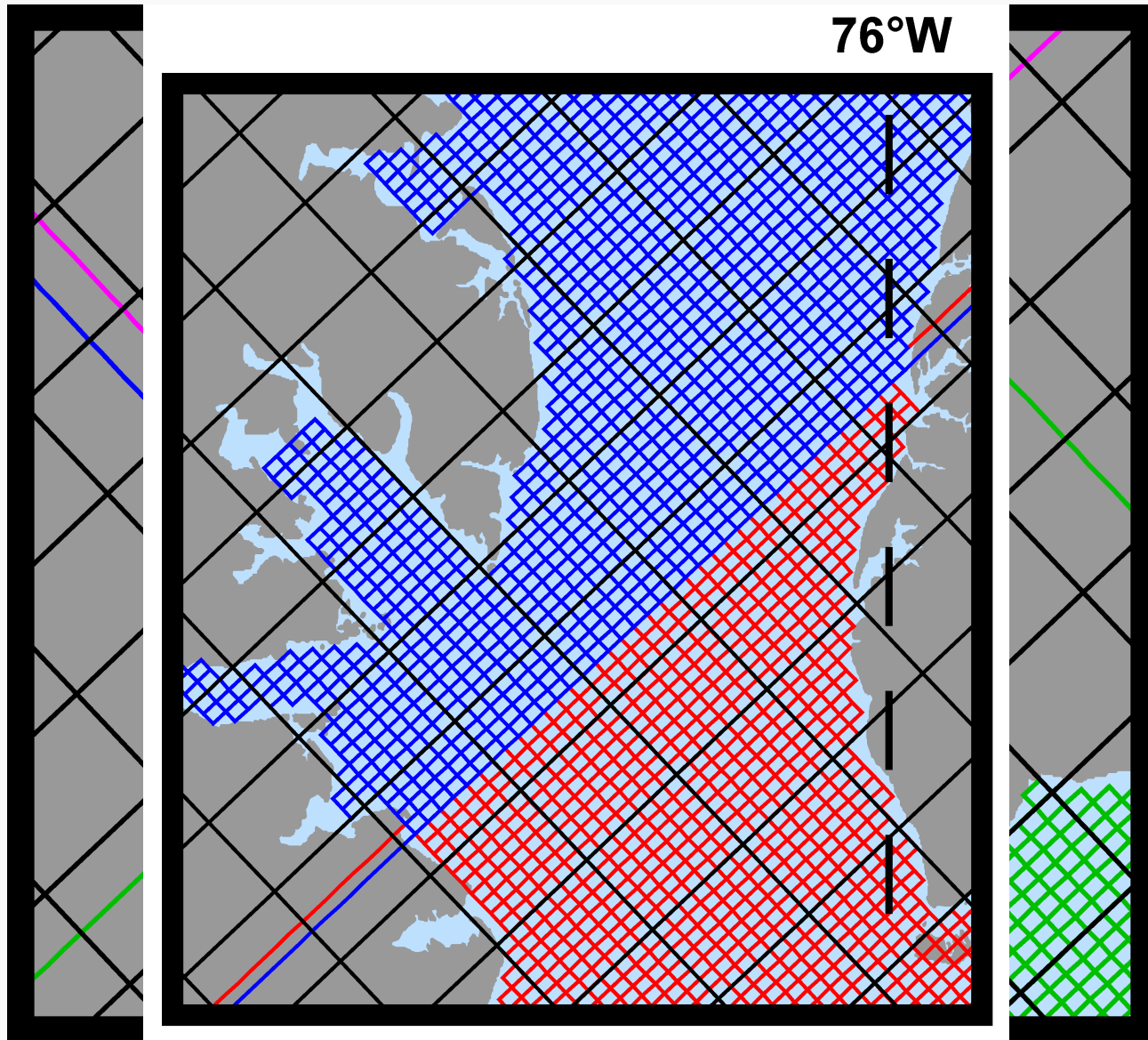


Figure 1: A schematic diagram illustrating the nested grid structure for a 2D problem. The diagram shows a large grid with a central region of interest (ROI) highlighted in red. The ROI is further subdivided into a finer grid (green) and a coarser grid (blue). The diagram is labeled with 'M' for the main grid, '1' for the nested grid, and 'L' for the finest grid. The legend indicates: Ngrids = 4, NestLayers = 3, GridsInLayer = 1 2 1, Ncontact = 6, Donor Grid = green, and Receiver Grid = red.

Receiver Grid = red

Realistic Nesting Configuration: US East Coast

(Complex Estuary Refinement-Composite Sub-Class)



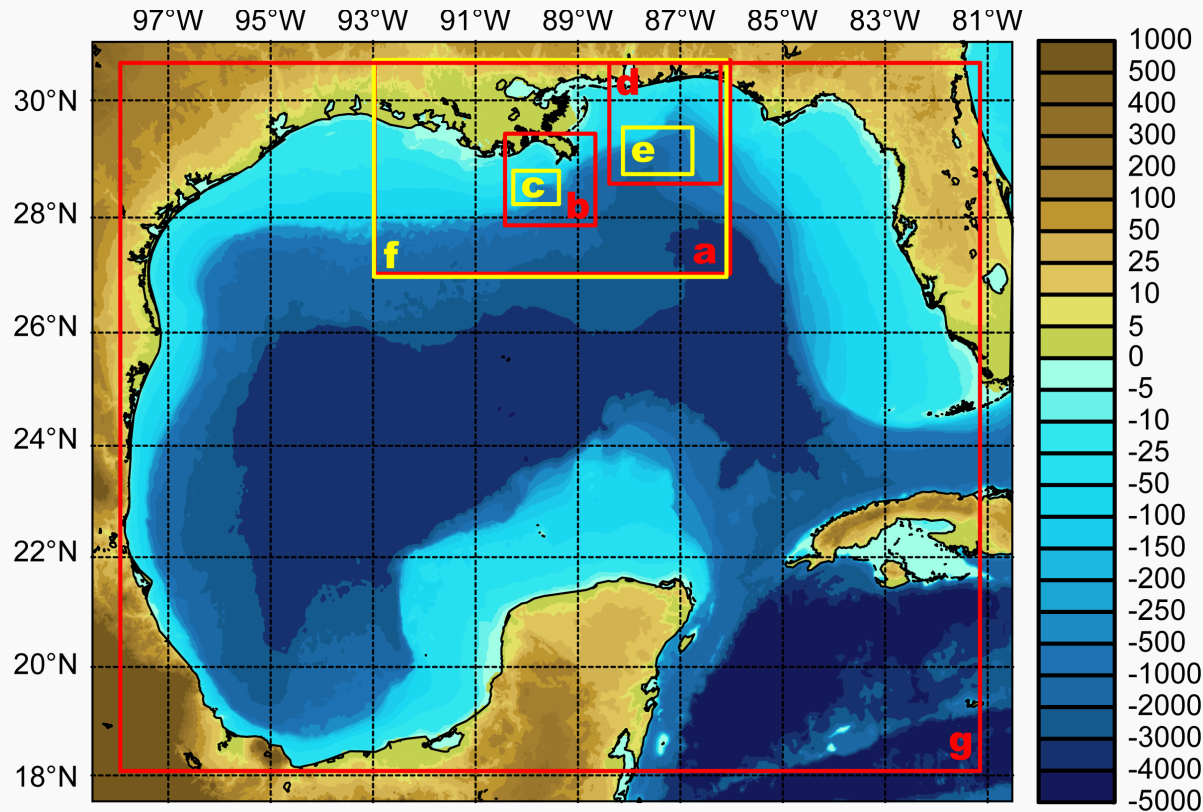
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The coarser grid, **ESPRESSO** (130 x 82), has an average resolution of $dx=7.5\text{km}$, $dy=5.8\text{km}$. The nested grids (p-points mesh) are color coded for convenience to show the strategy used to better resolve the Delaware and Chesapeake Estuary Systems. The **red** and **green** are refinement grids whereas **blue** and **magenta** are composite grids. The refinement ratio is 1:7. An intermediate 1:7 refinement grid is created using Matlab script **coarse2fine.m** that included both the Delaware and Chesapeake Estuary Systems. Then, the Matlab script **grid_extract.m** is used to extract the Delaware Bay refinement grid (**58 x 142**) and Delaware River composite grid (**42 x 55**). Similarly, **grid_extract.m** is used to extract the Chesapeake Bay outer refinement grid (**135 x 142**) and Chesapeake Bay inner composite grid (**233 x 212**).

Realistic Nesting Configuration: Gulf of Mexico

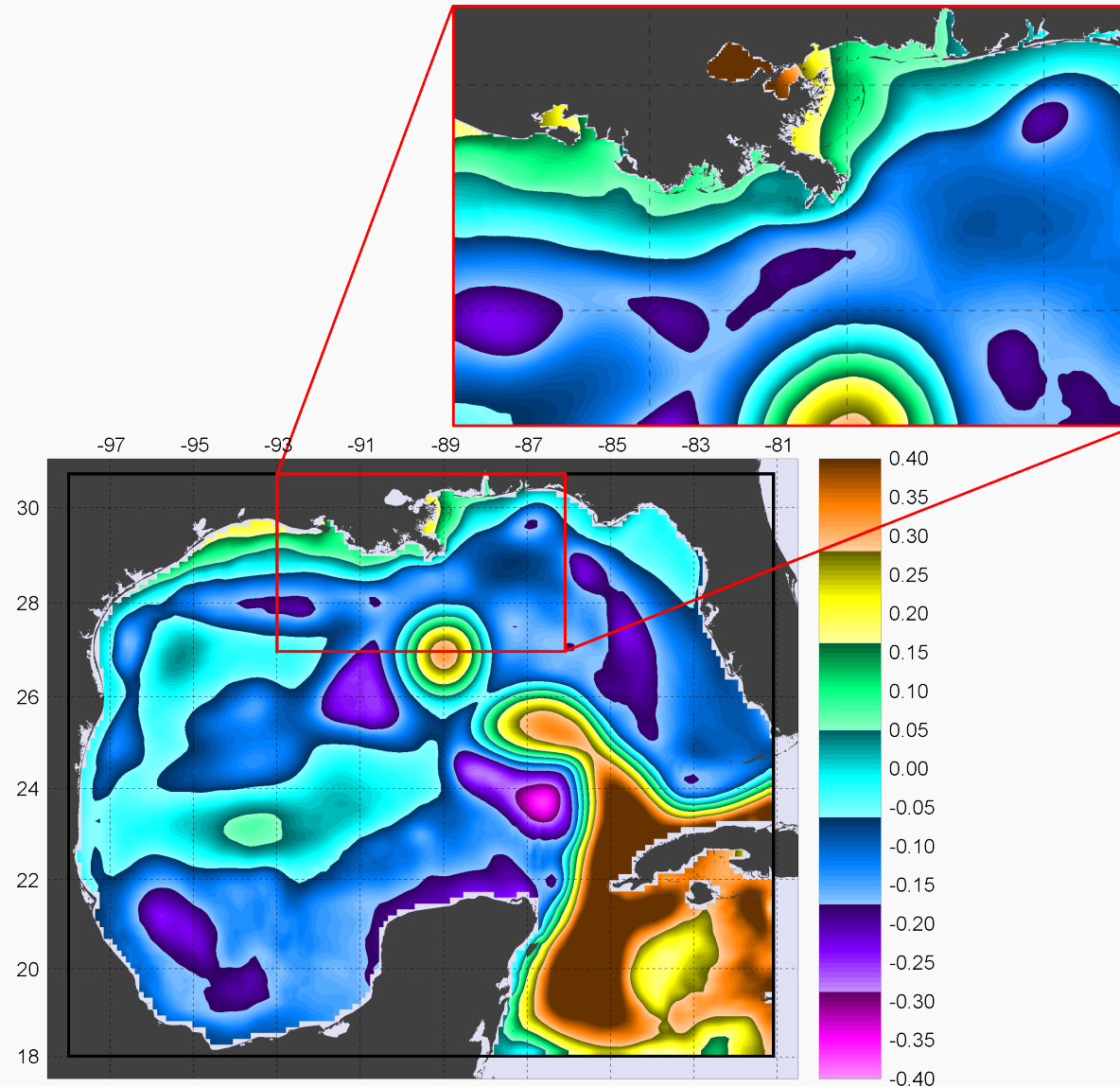
(Multiple Refinement Sub-Class)



Grid Number Points	Min/Max Δx (m)	Min/Max Δy (m)	Mean Δx (m)	Mean Δy (m)	Refinement Factor
a (256x128)	2595 / 2688	3108 / 3220	2642	3165	-
b (325x275)	525 / 533	630 / 639	530	634	1:5 from a
c (825x500)	105 / 107	126 / 127	106	127	1:5 from b
d (400x365)	519 / 530	622 / 635	525	628	1:5 from a
e (1250x700)	105 / 106	126 / 127	105	126	1:5 from d
f (324x150)	2032 / 2106	2696 / 2794	2070	2746	1:5 from g
g (158x98)	10160 / 11236	13484 / 14905	10733	14239	-

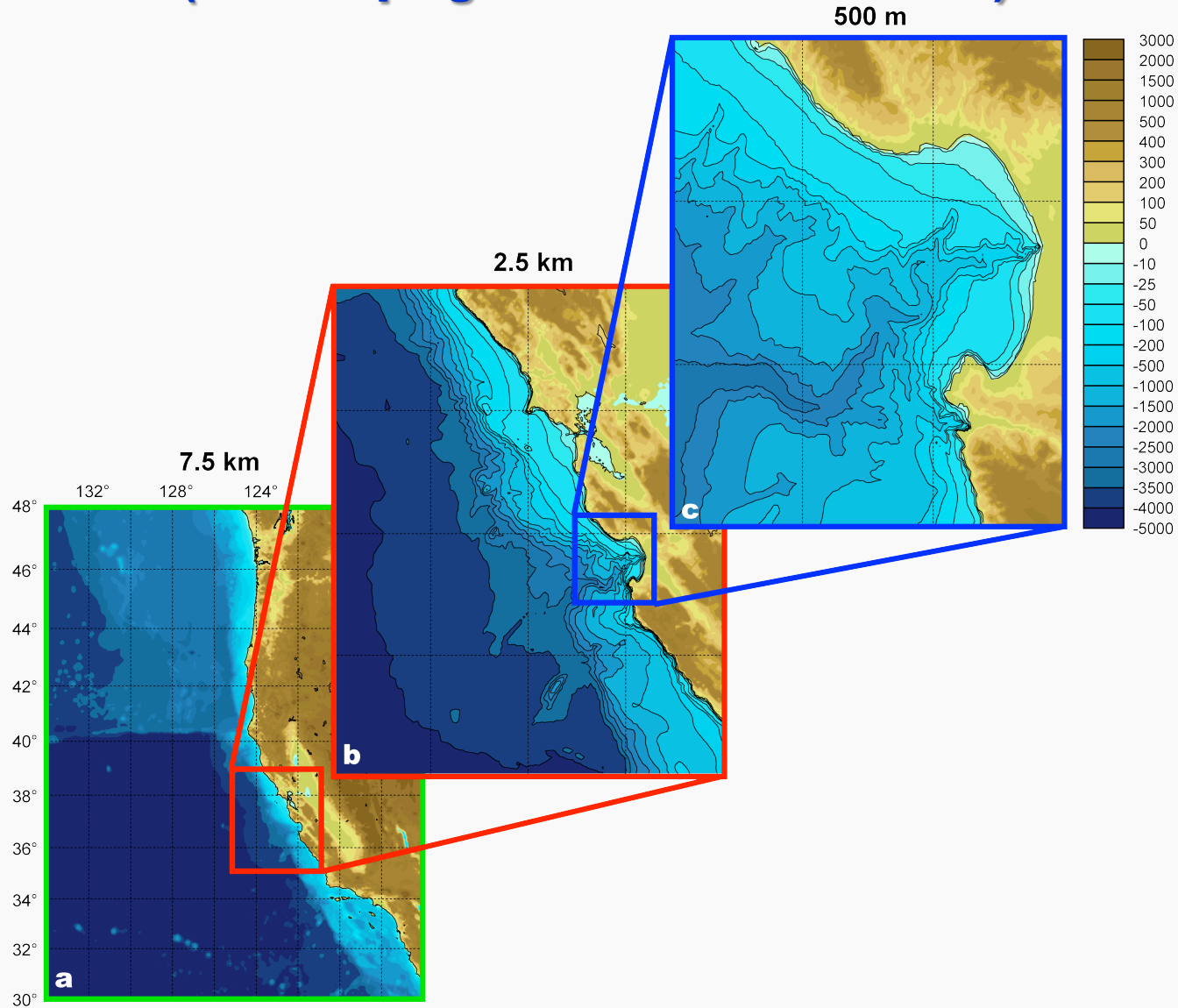
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(Multiple Refinement Sub-Class)



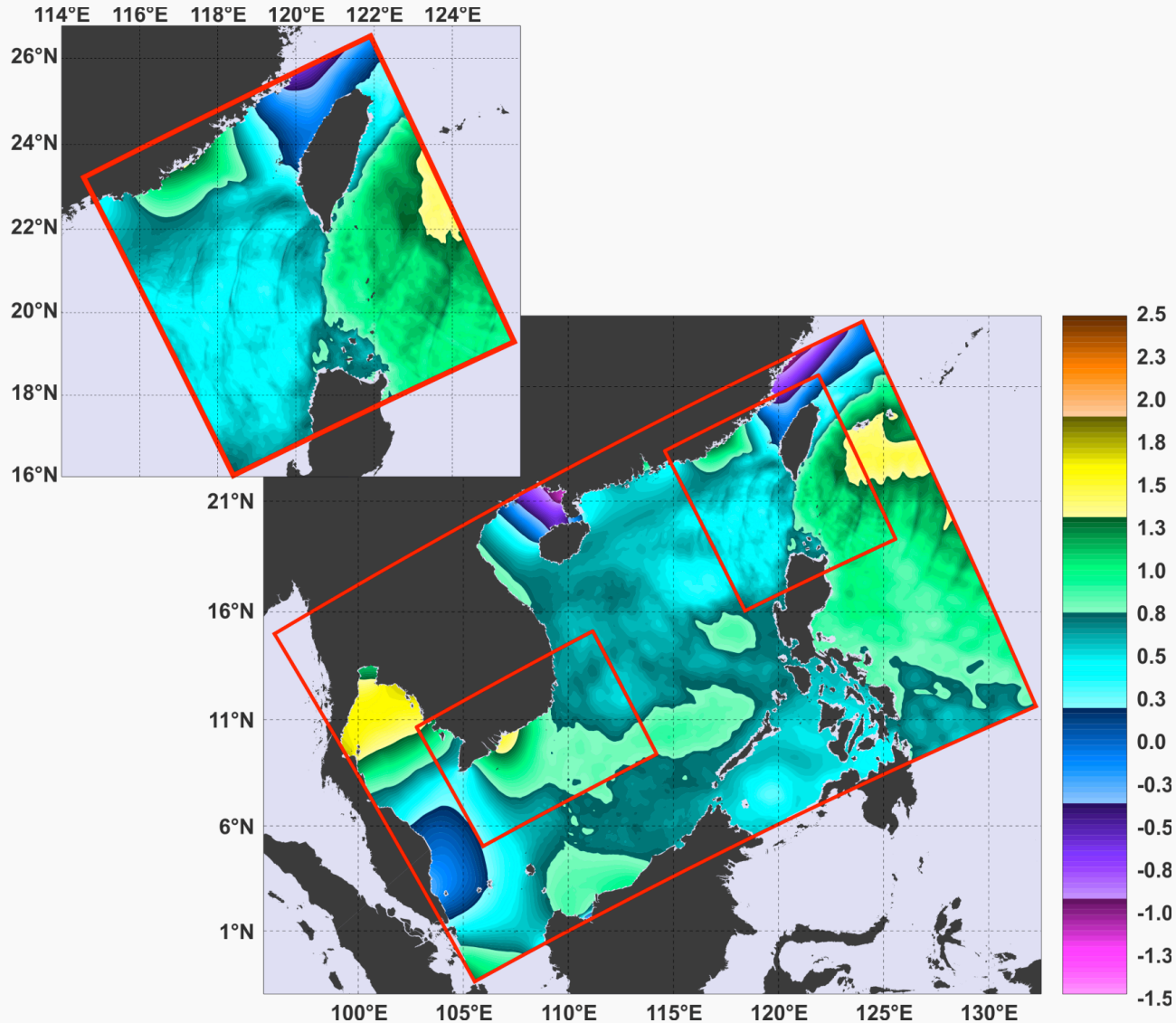
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Realistic Nesting Configuration: US West Coast (Telescoping Refinement Sub-Class)



Modeling of Monterey Canyon

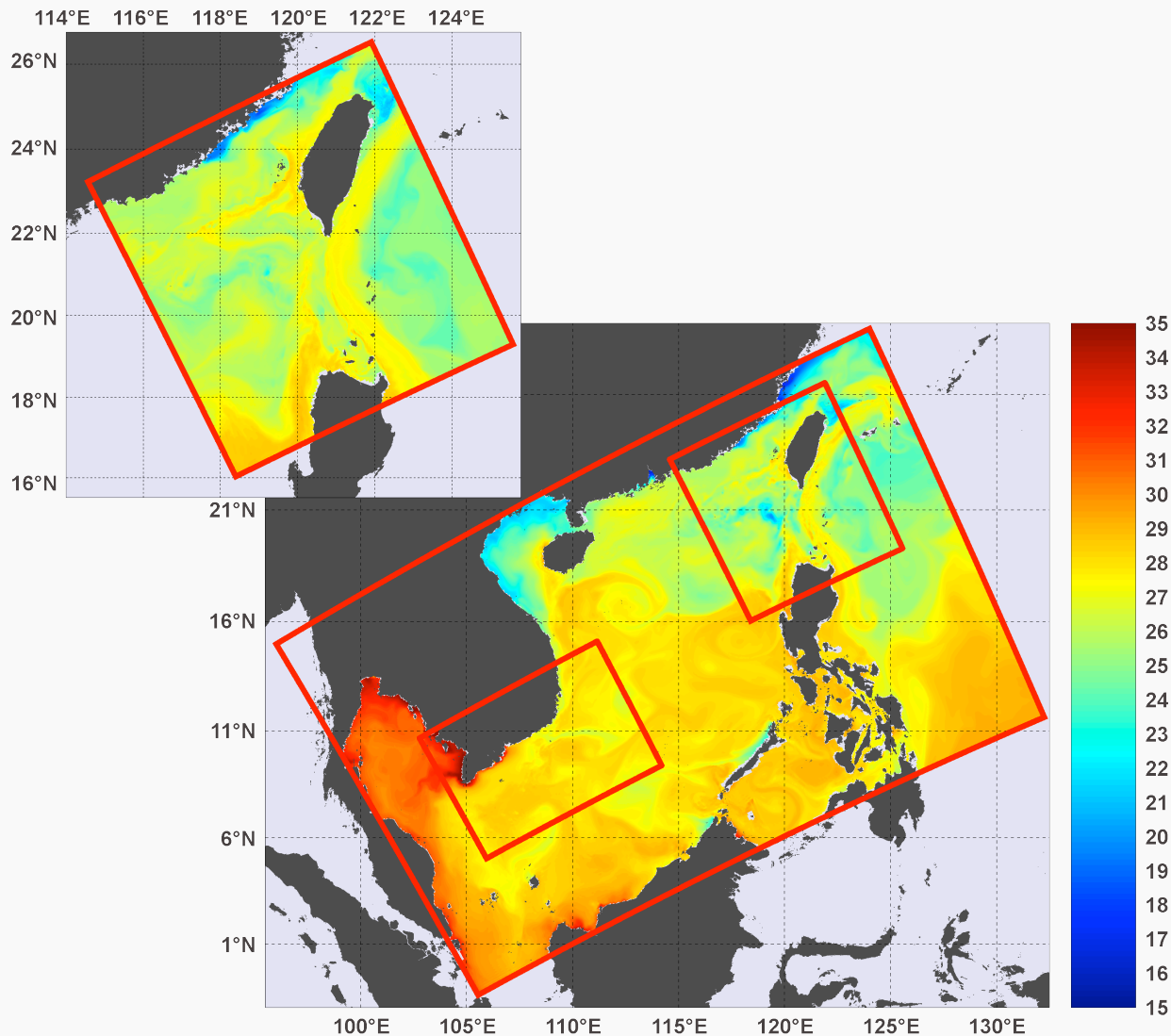
Realistic Nesting Configuration: South China Sea (Multiple Refinement Sub-Class)



Free-Surface

Realistic Nesting Configuration: South China Sea

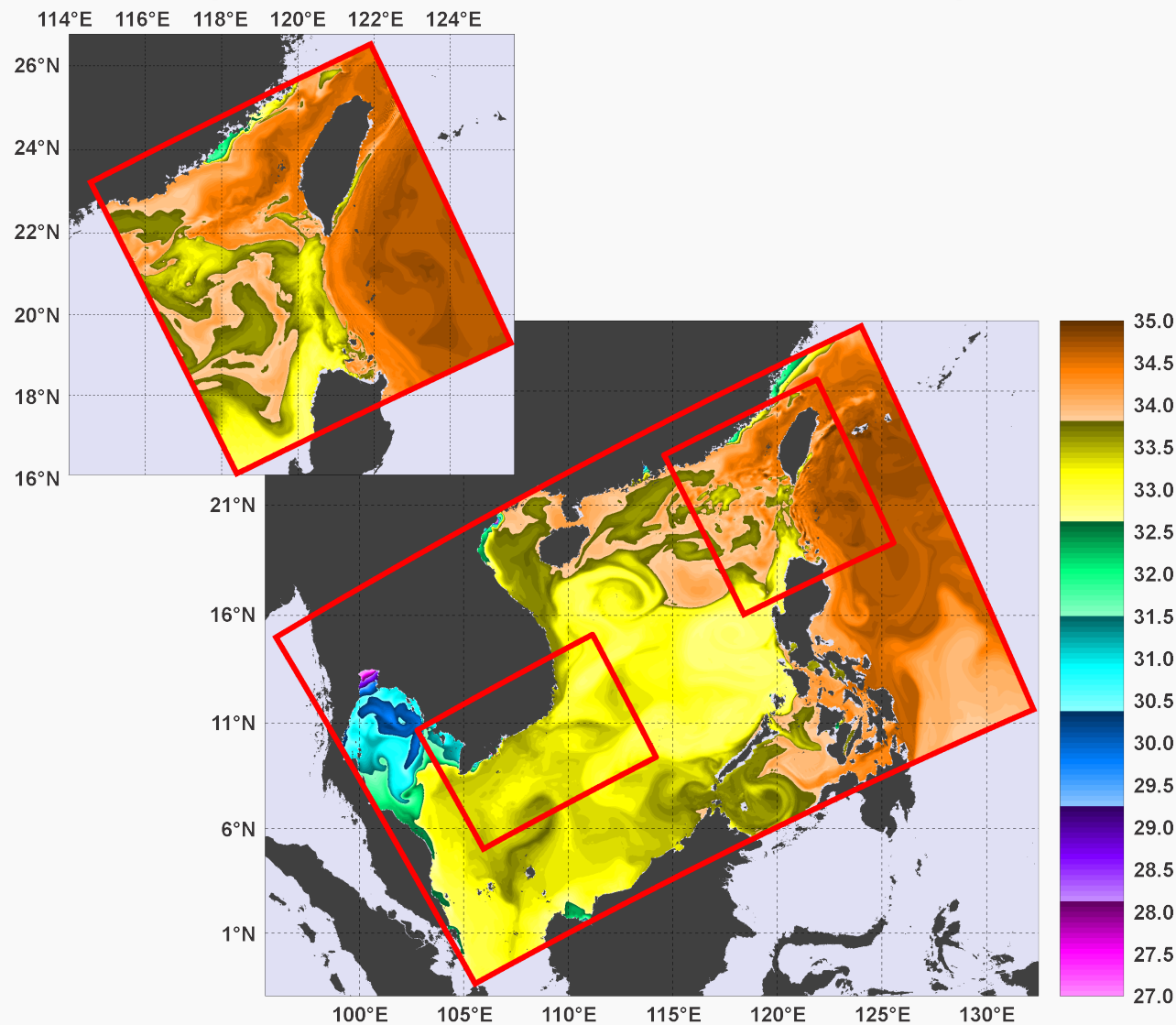
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Temperature

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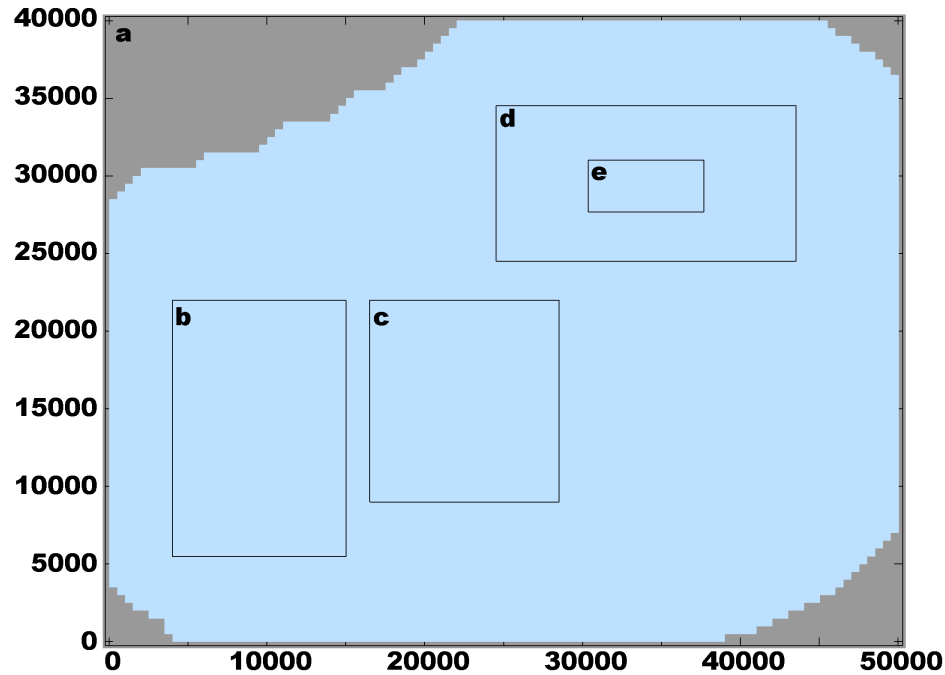
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Salinity

Lake Jersey Test Case

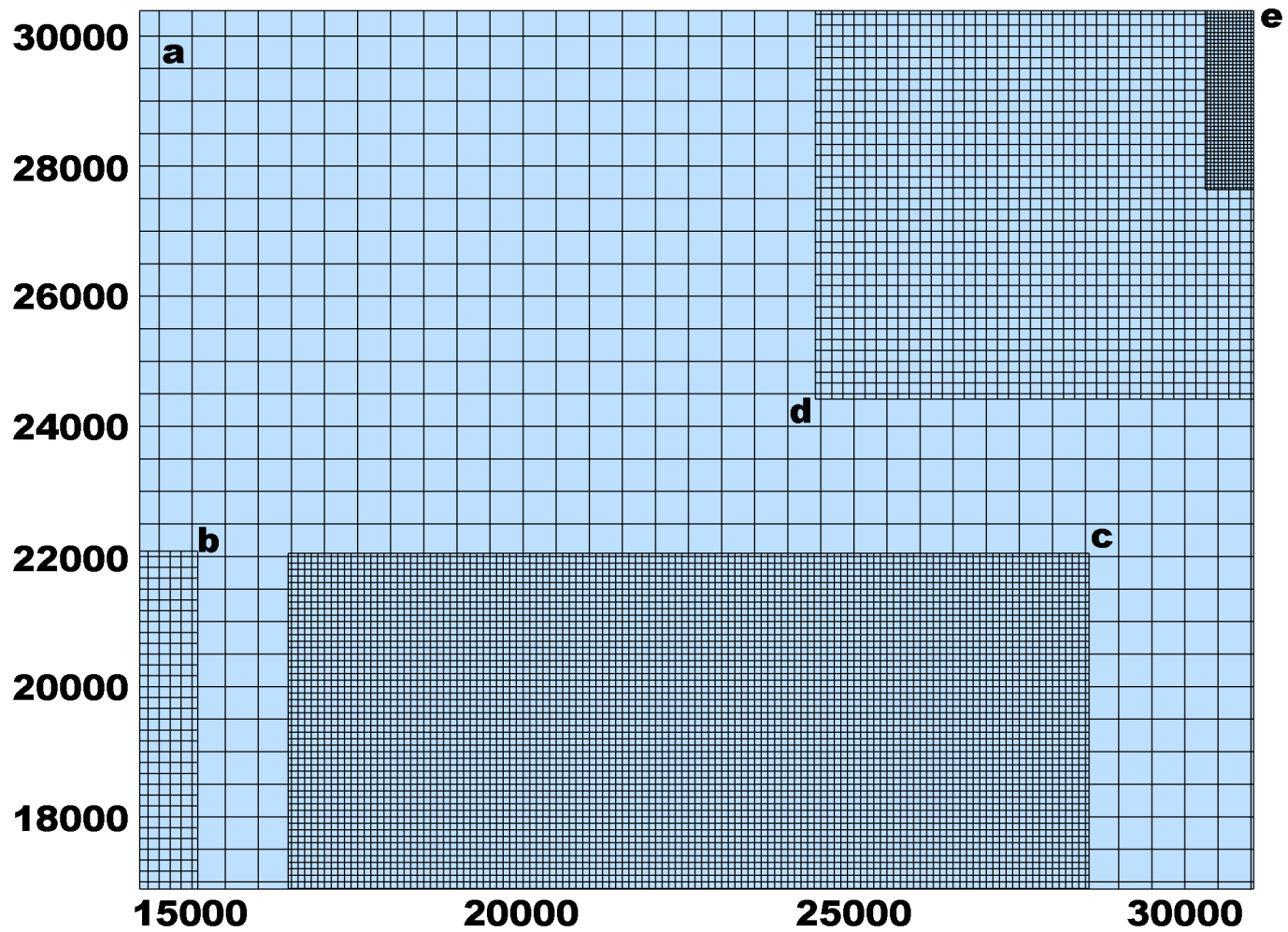
Lake Jersey



Lake Jersey Grid Information

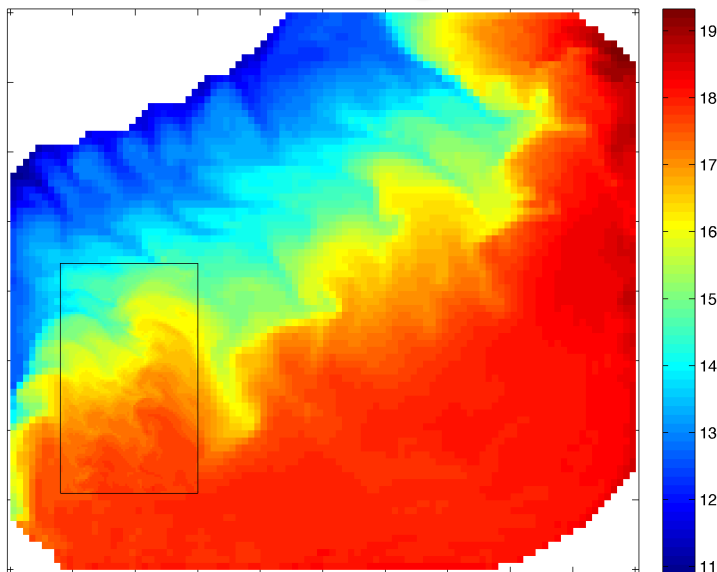
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b	66x99x8	1:3 from a	9	31	12	45	166.6 m	lake_jersey_grd_b.nc
c	120x130x8	1:5 from a	34	58	19	45	100.0 m	lake_jersey_grd_c.nc
d	114x60x8	1:3 from a	50	88	50	70	166.6 m	lake_jersey_grd_d.nc
e	132x60x8	1:3 from d	36	80	20	40	55.5 m	lake_jersey_grd_e.nc

Lake Jersey



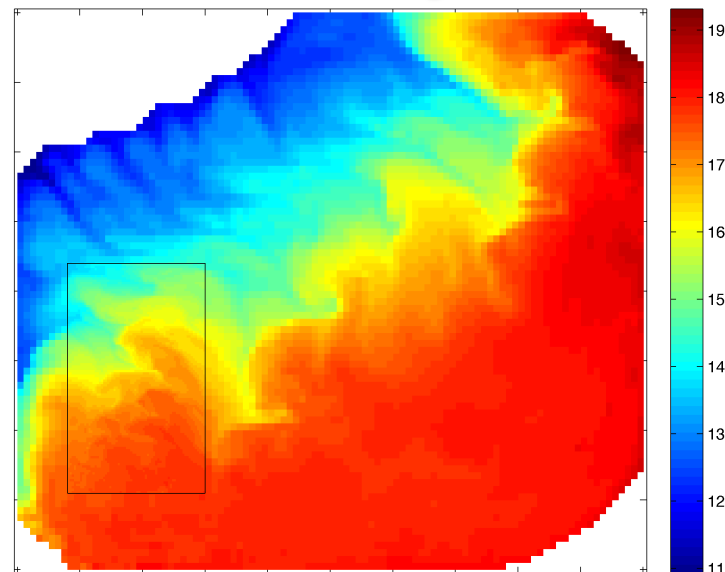
Lake Jersey: Case AB

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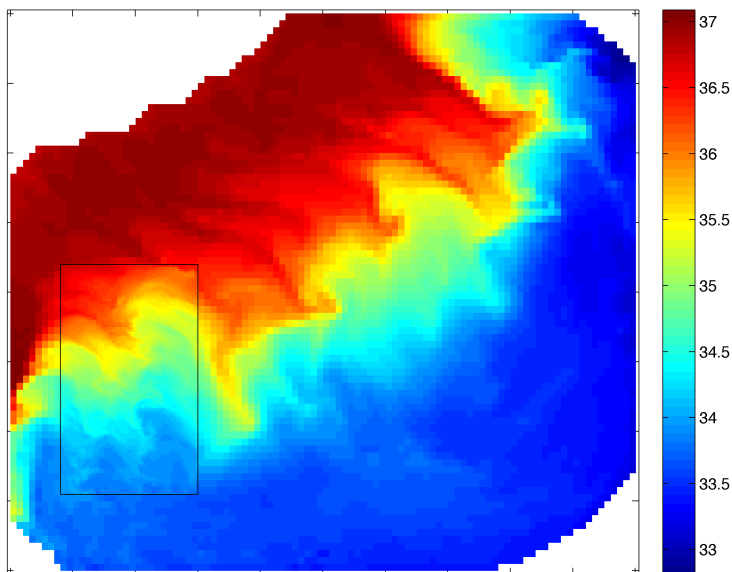


Temperature

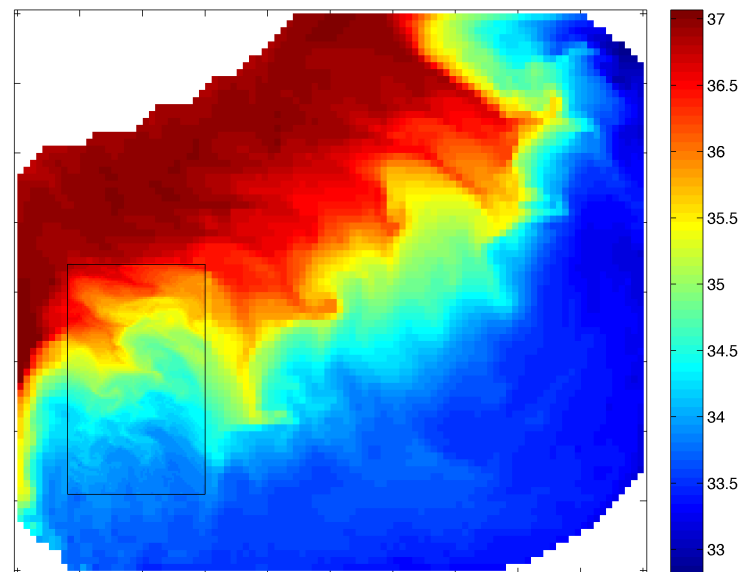
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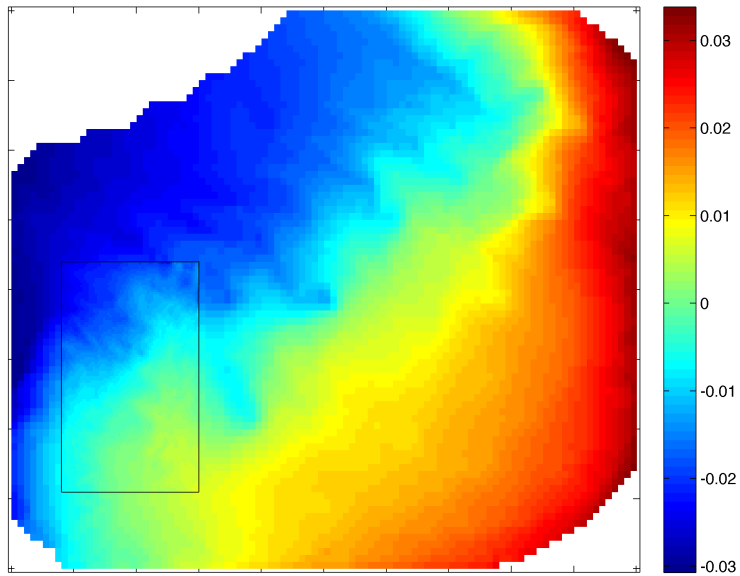
Salinity



Salinity

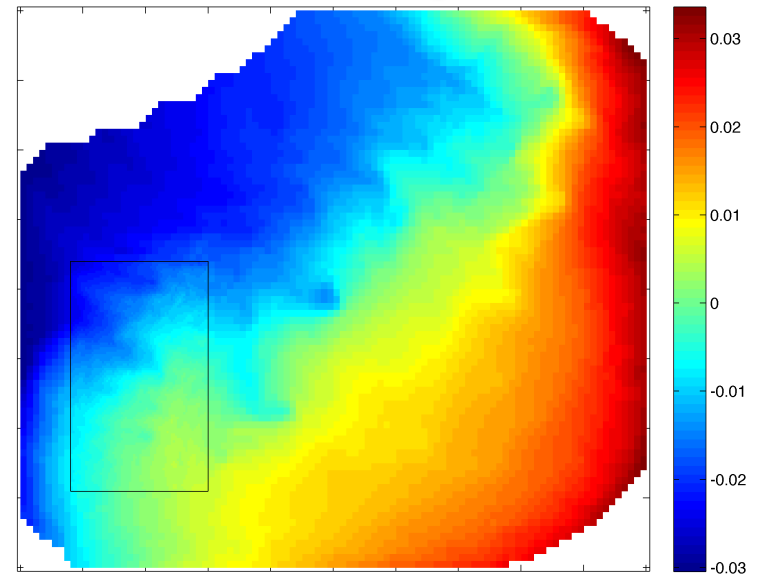
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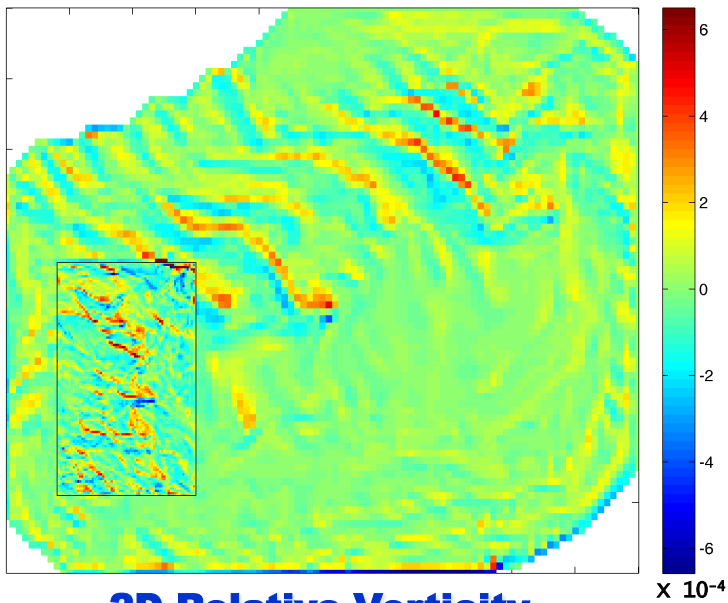


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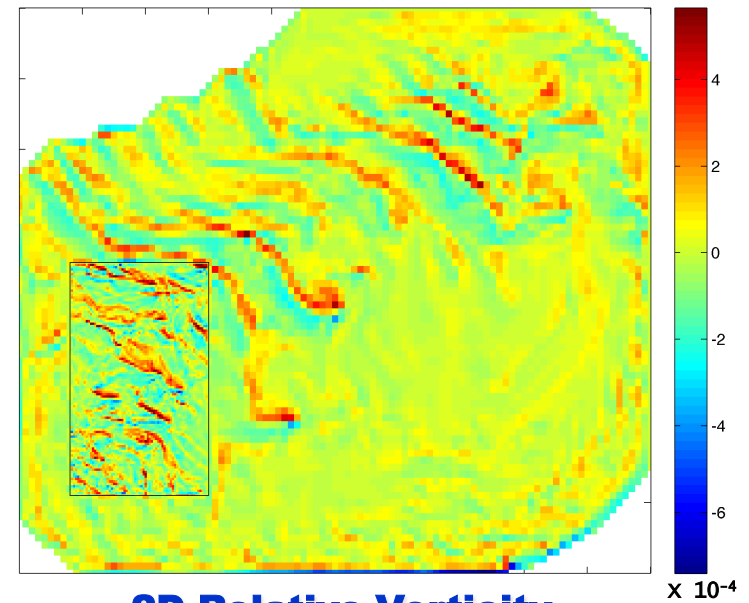
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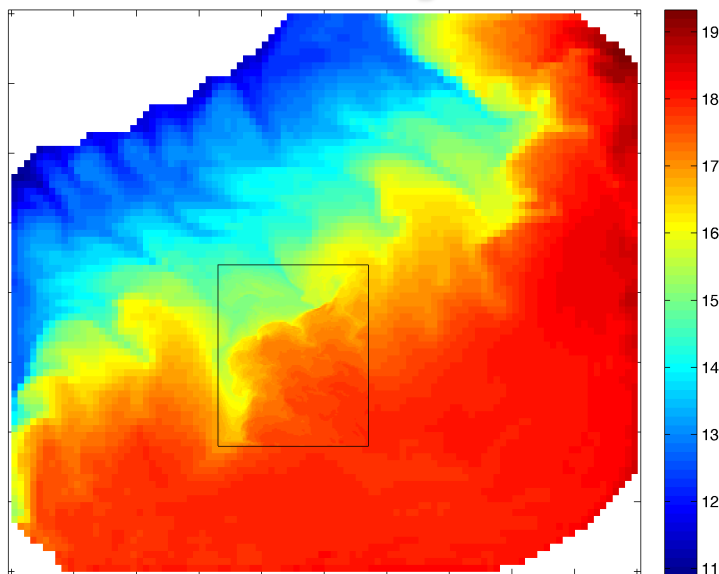
2D Relative Vorticity



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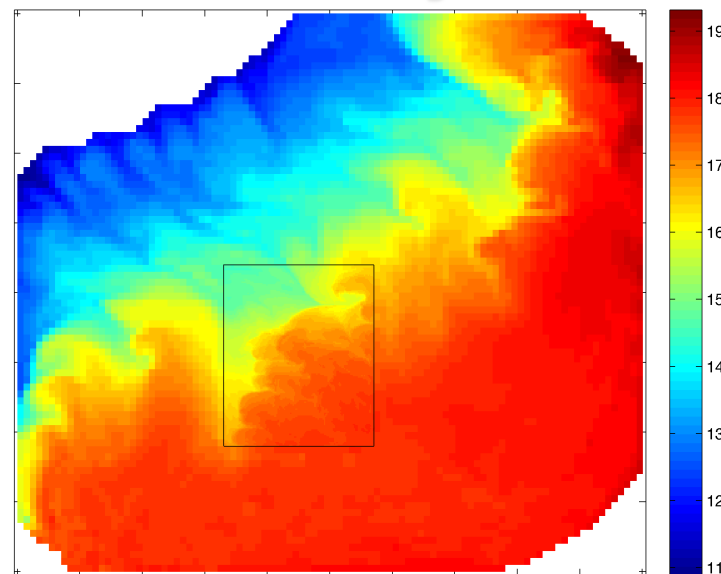
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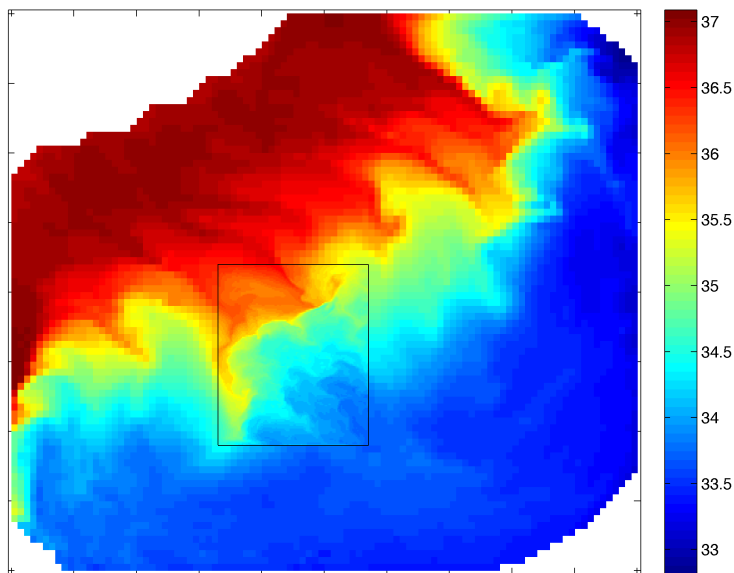


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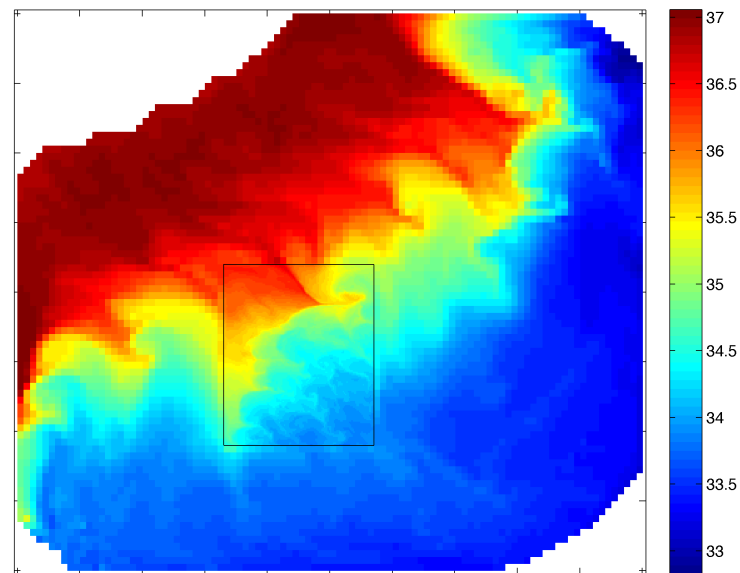
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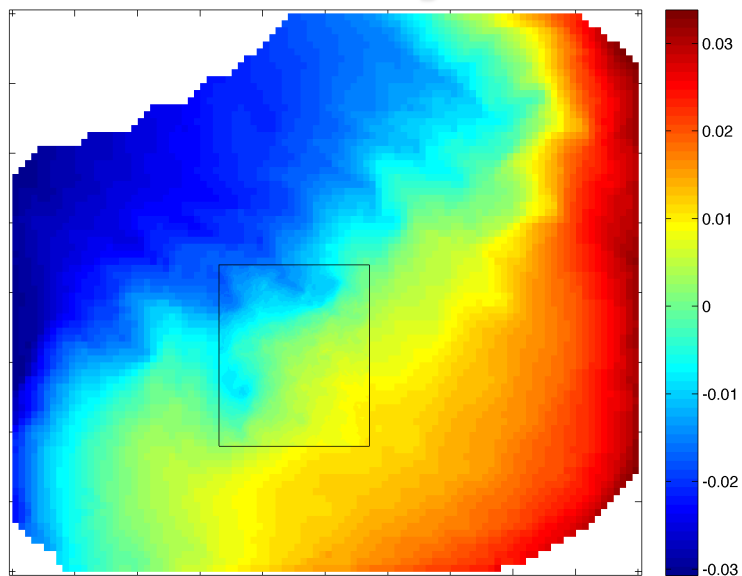
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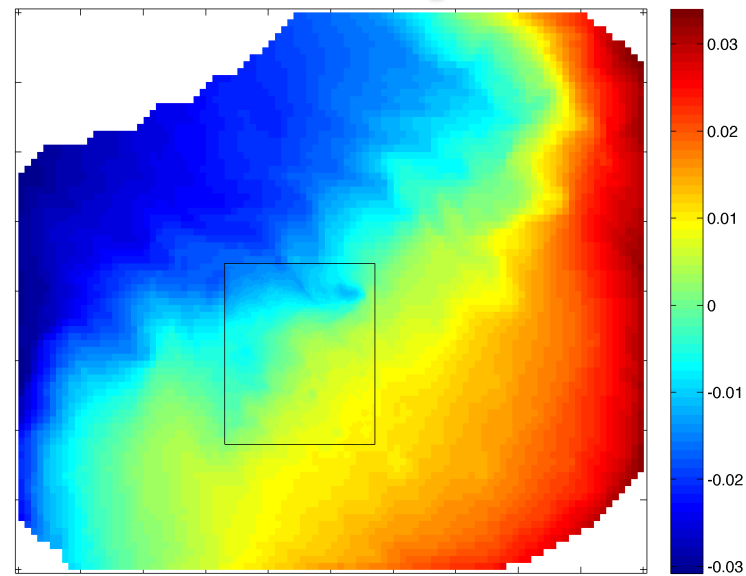
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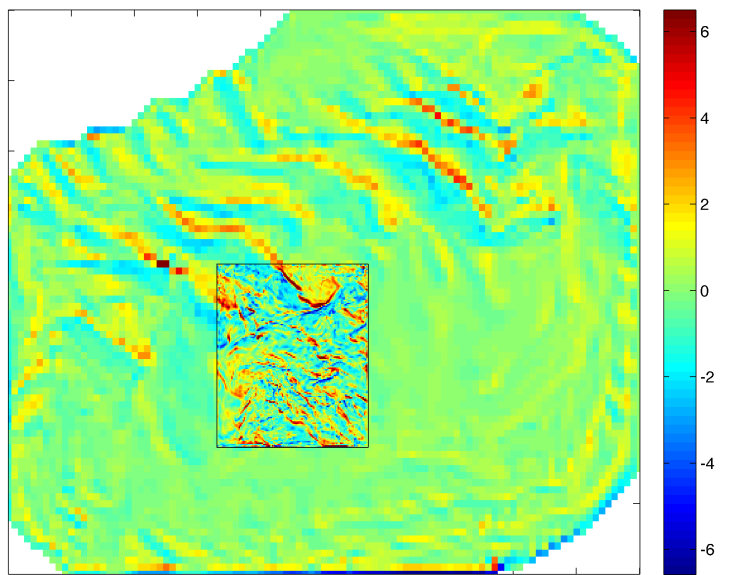


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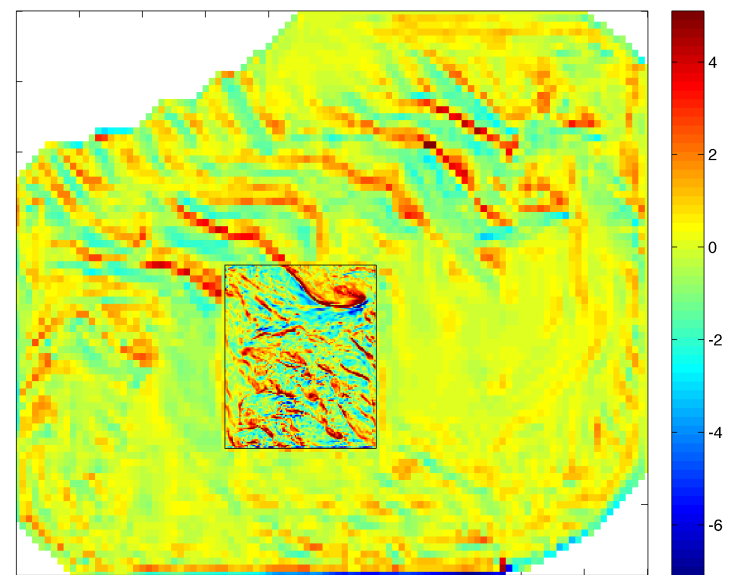


Free-Surface



2D Relative Vorticity

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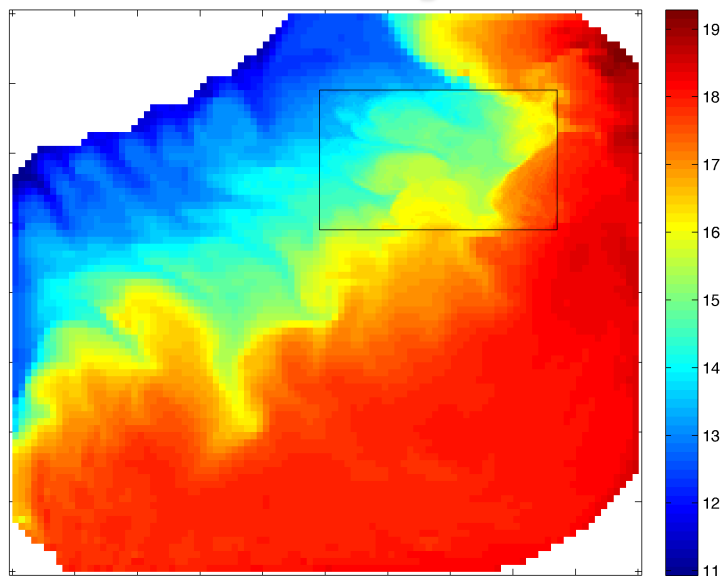


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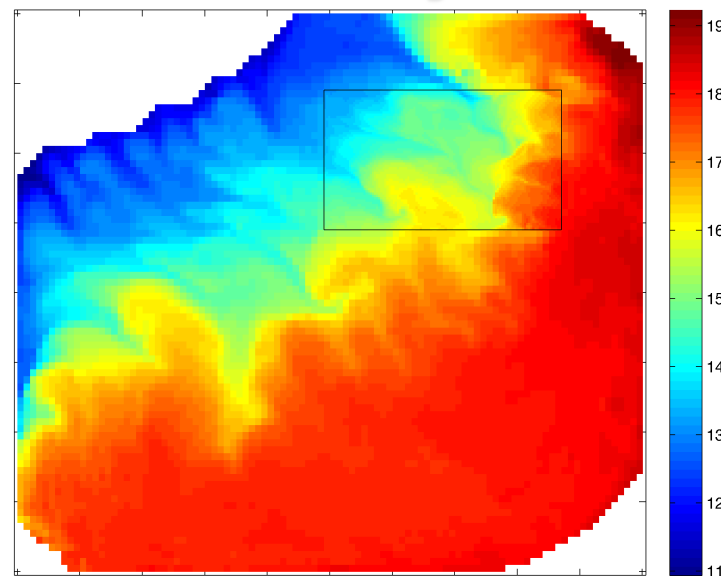
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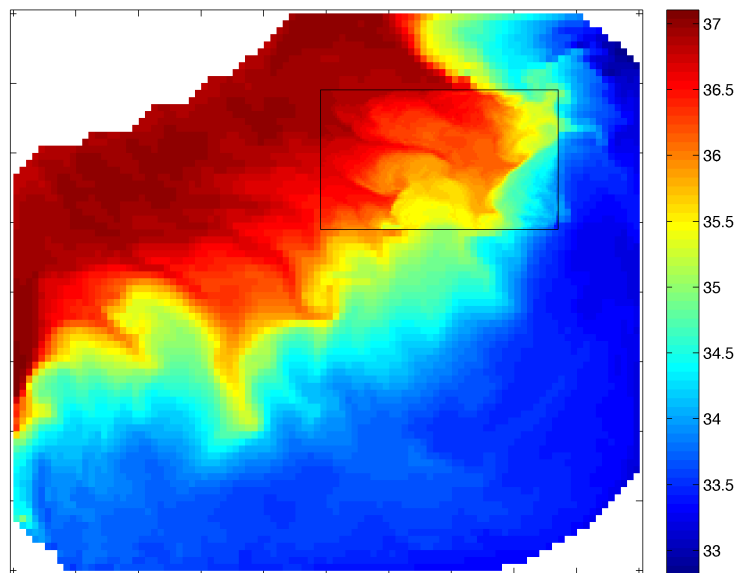


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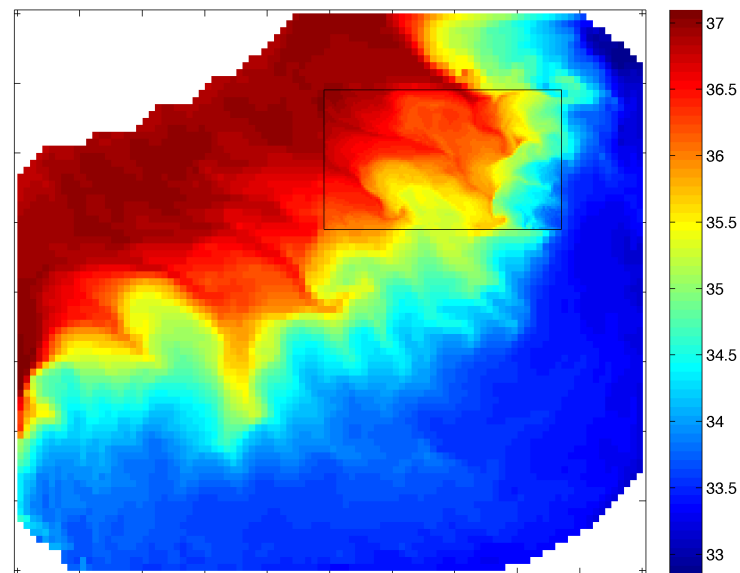
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Temperature



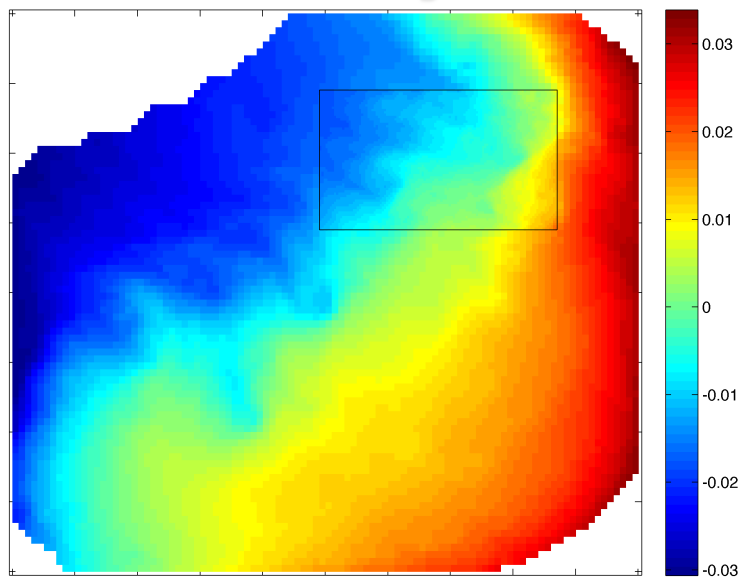
Salinity



Salinity

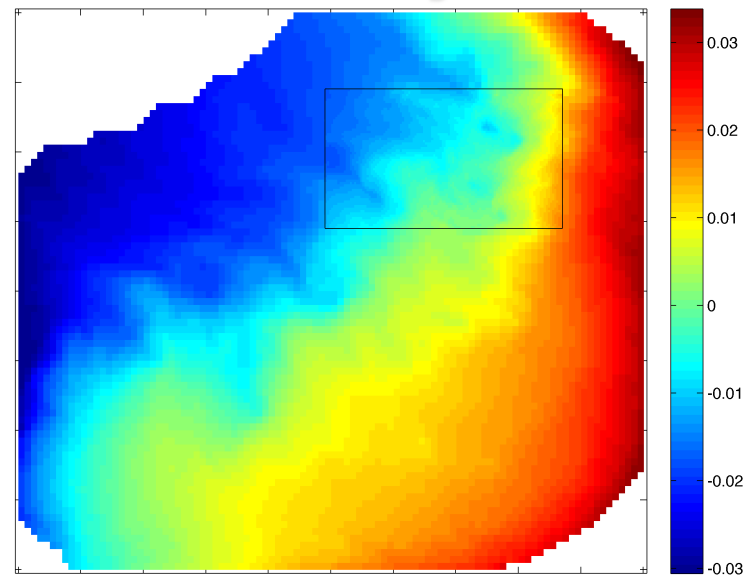
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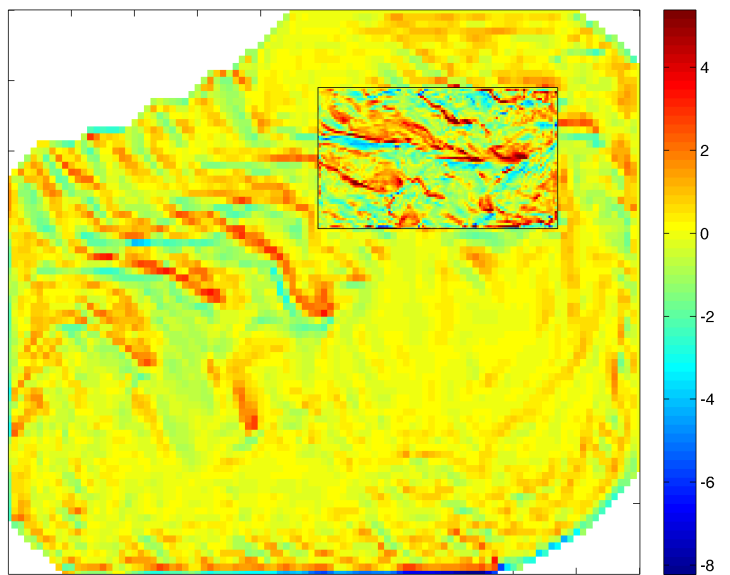


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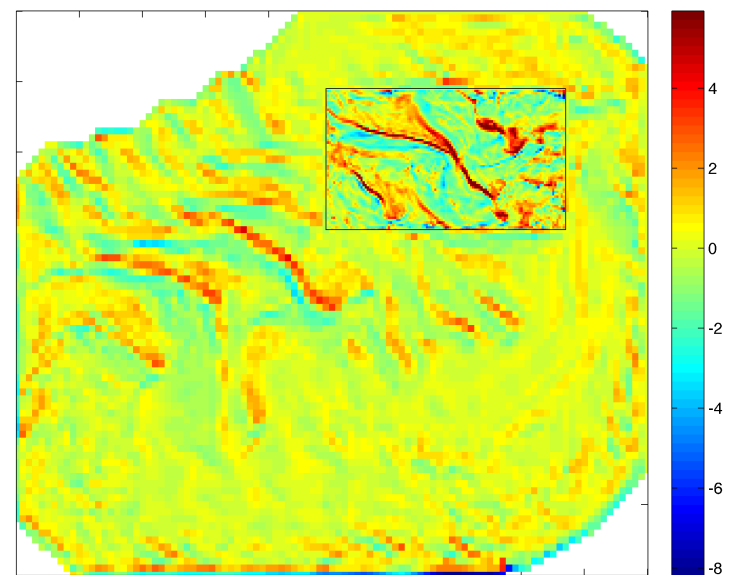


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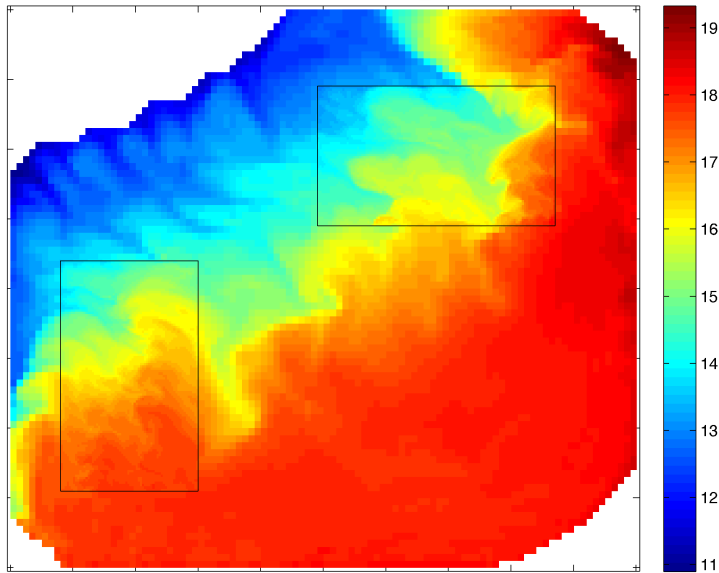


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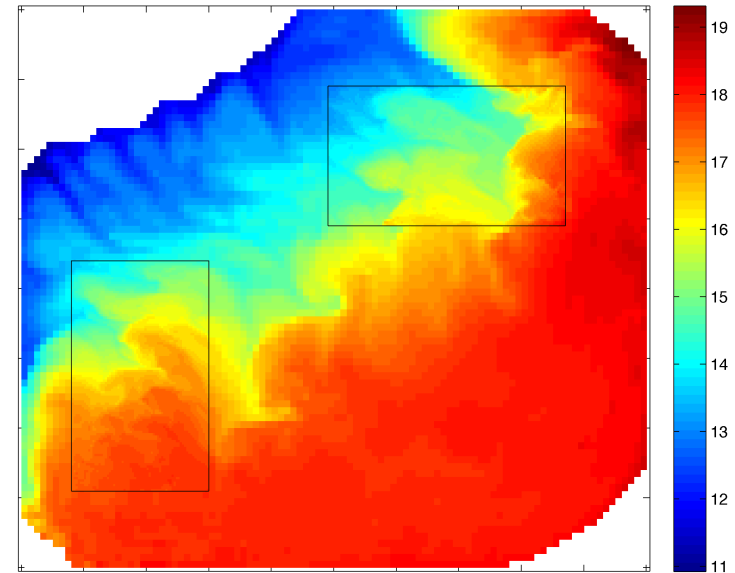
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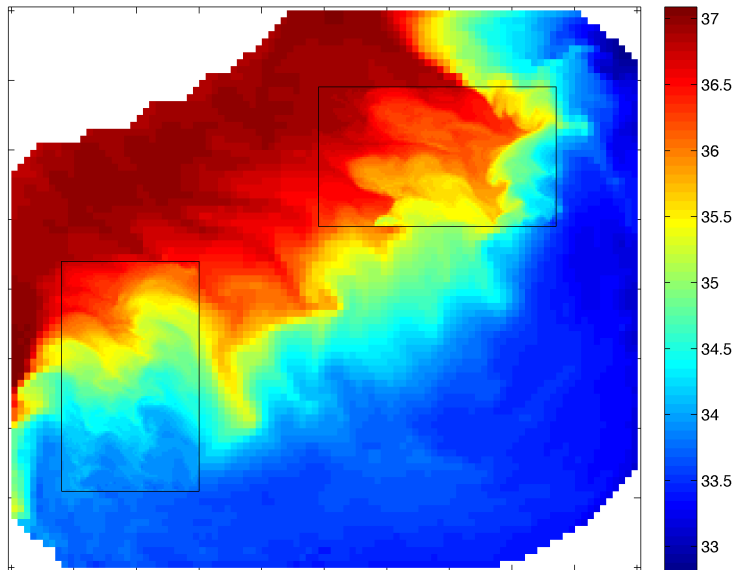


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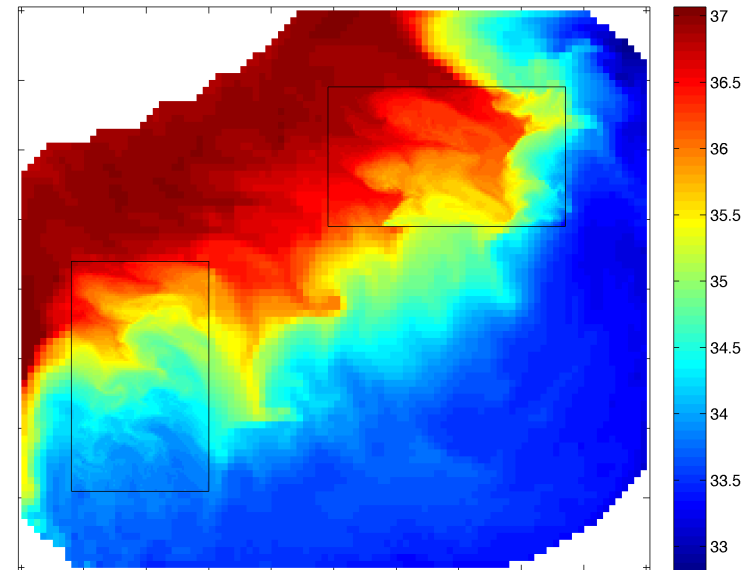
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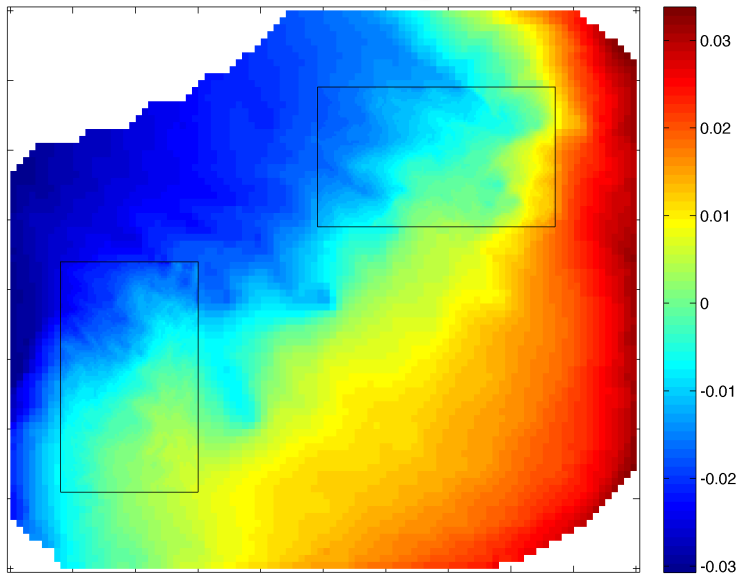
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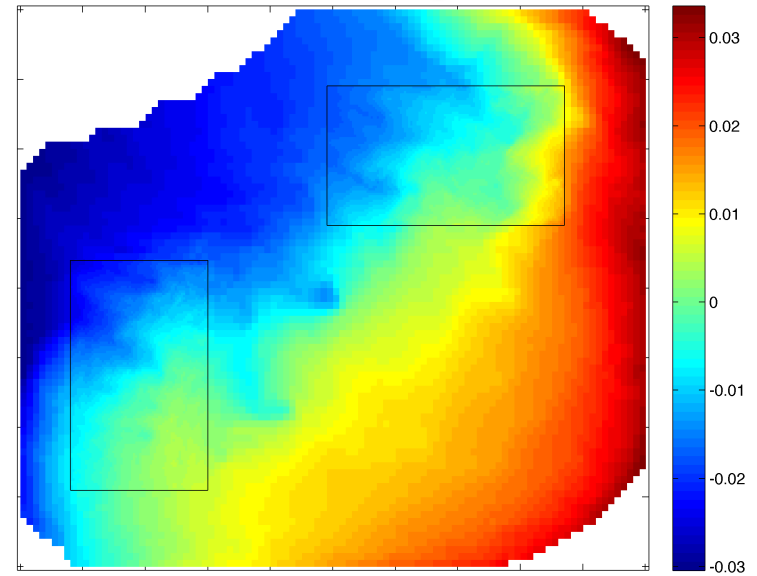
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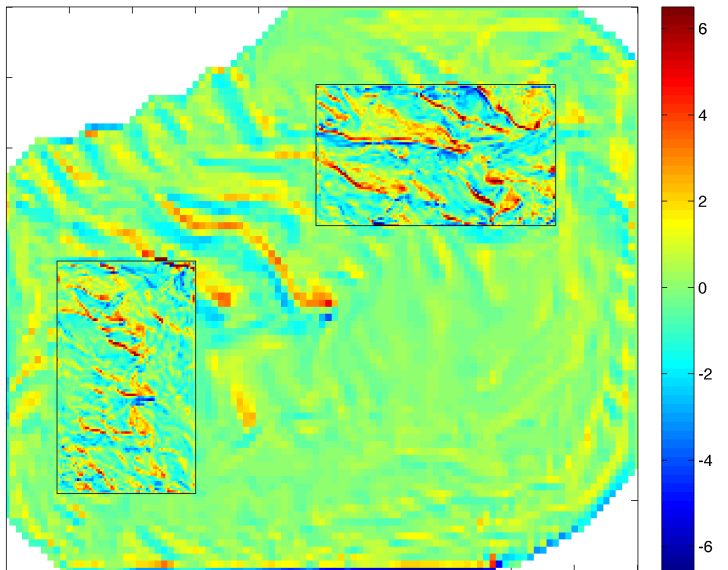


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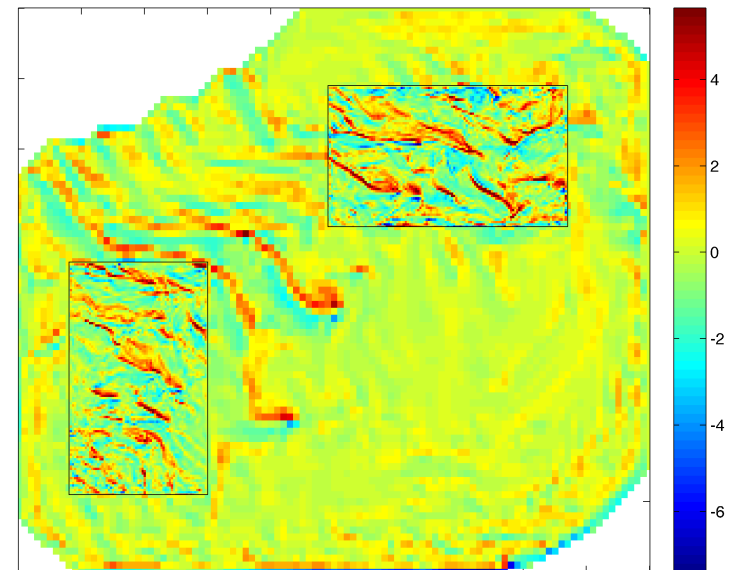


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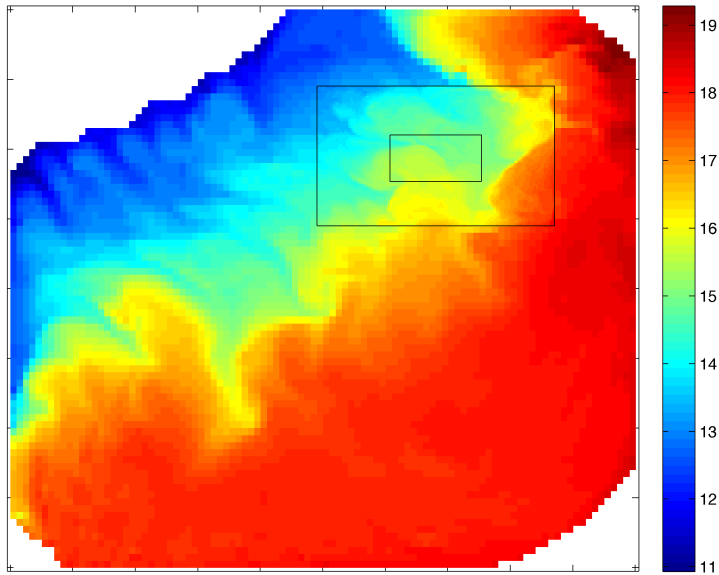


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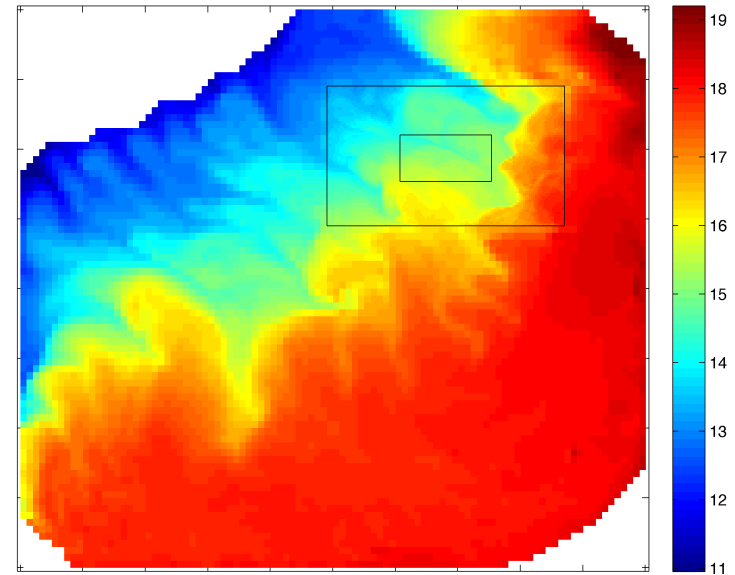
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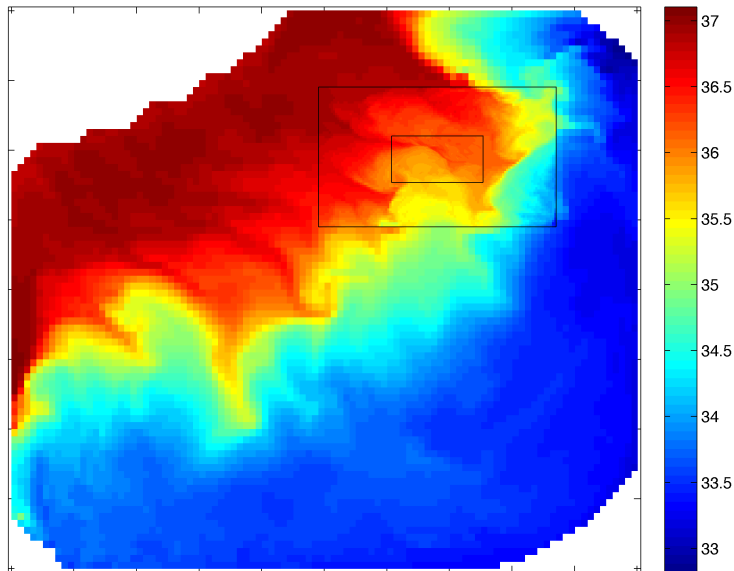


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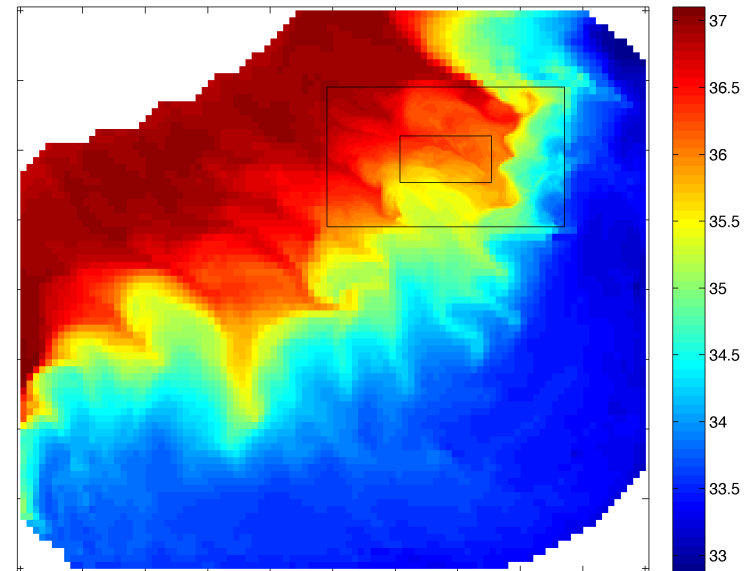
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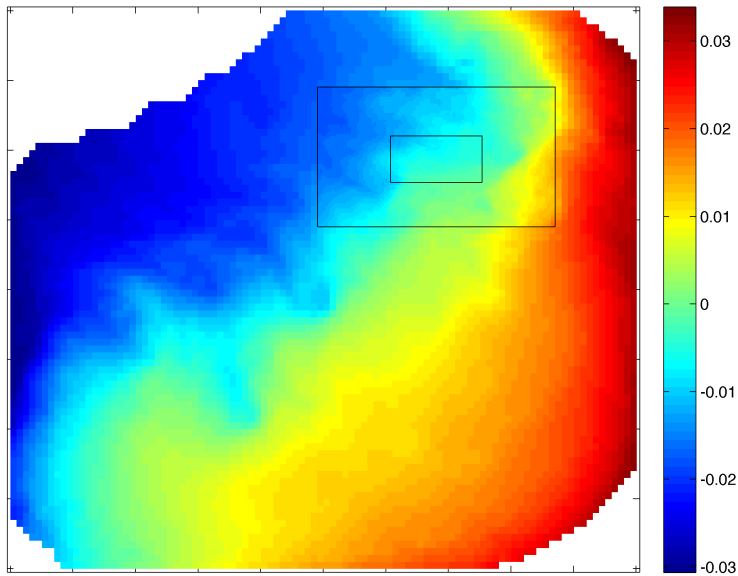
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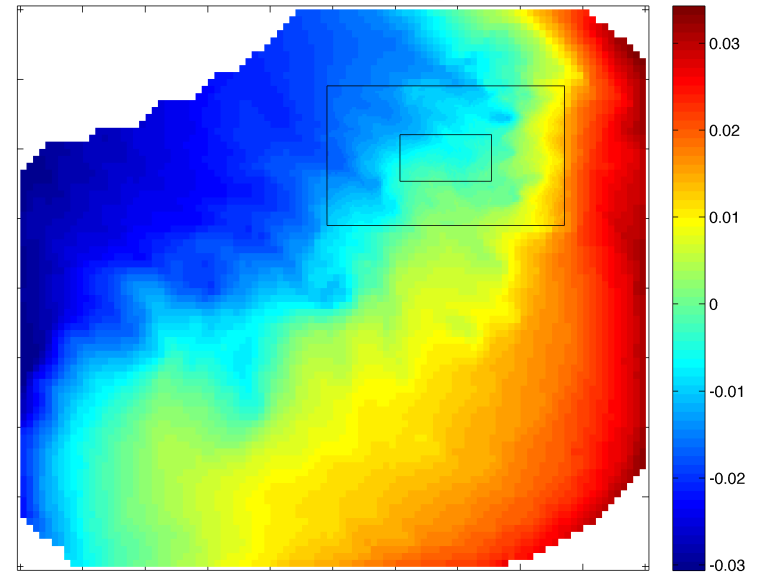
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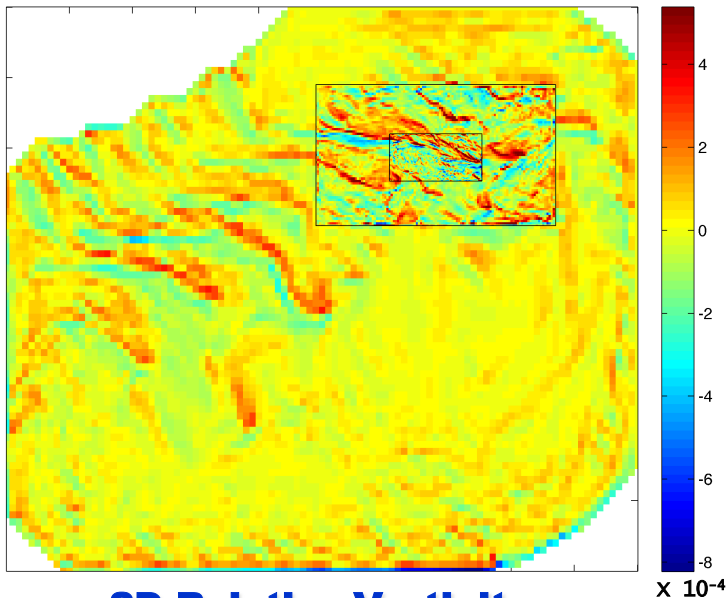


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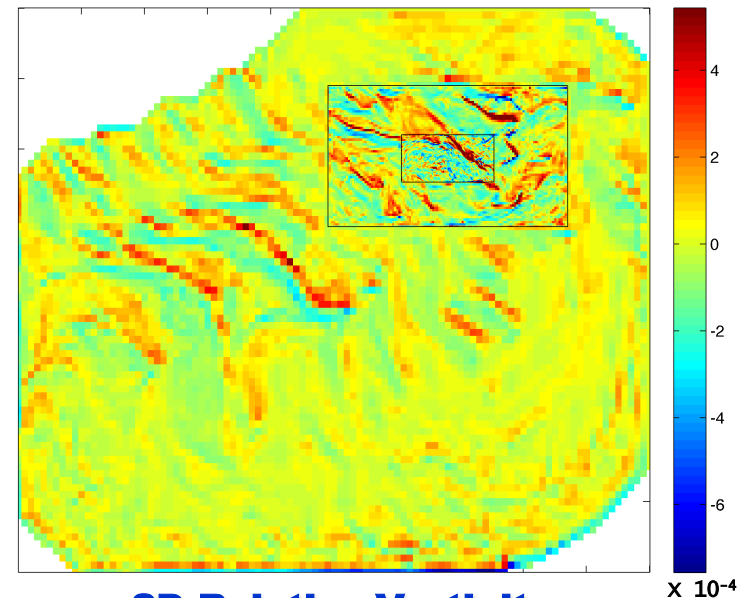
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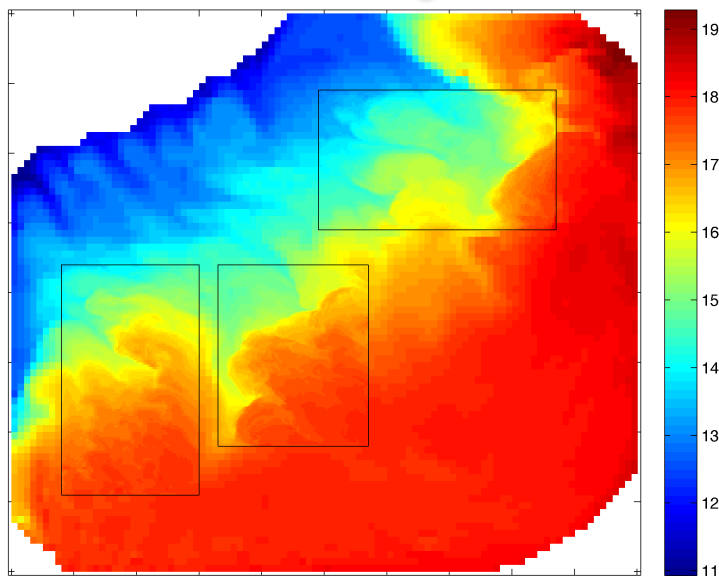
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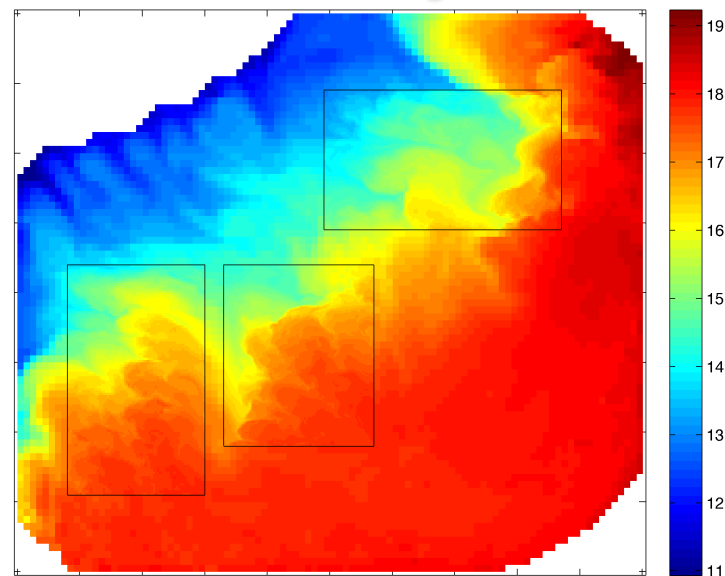
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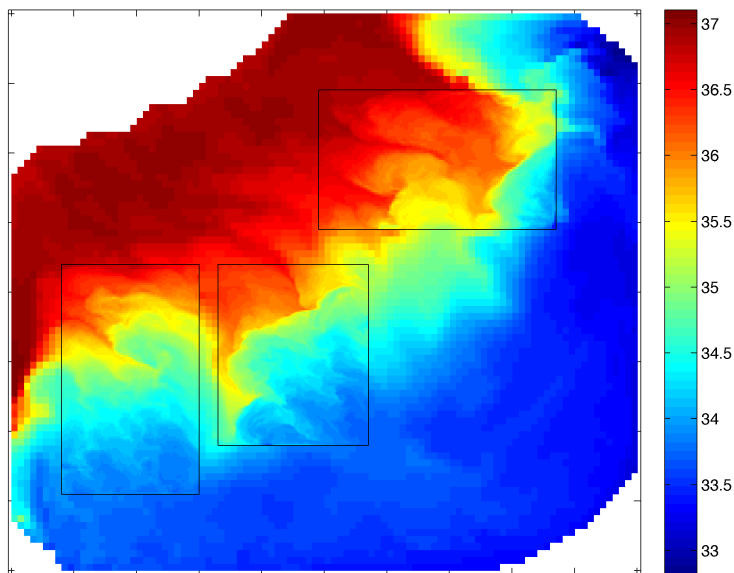


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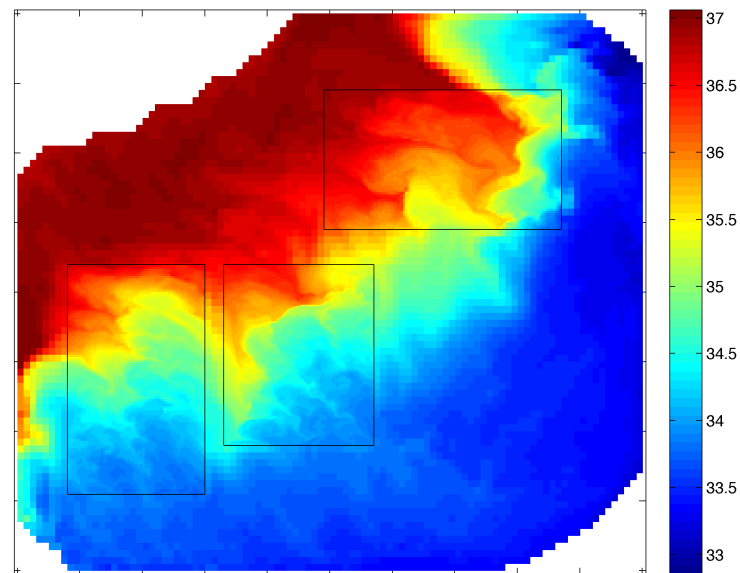
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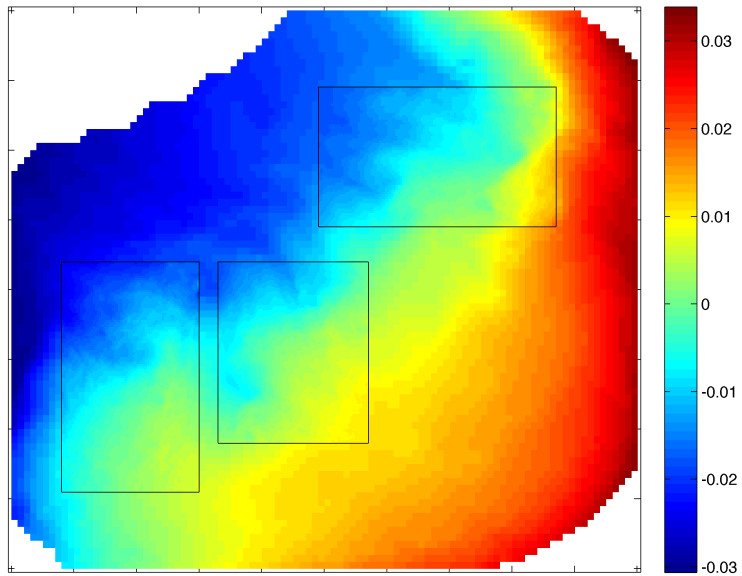
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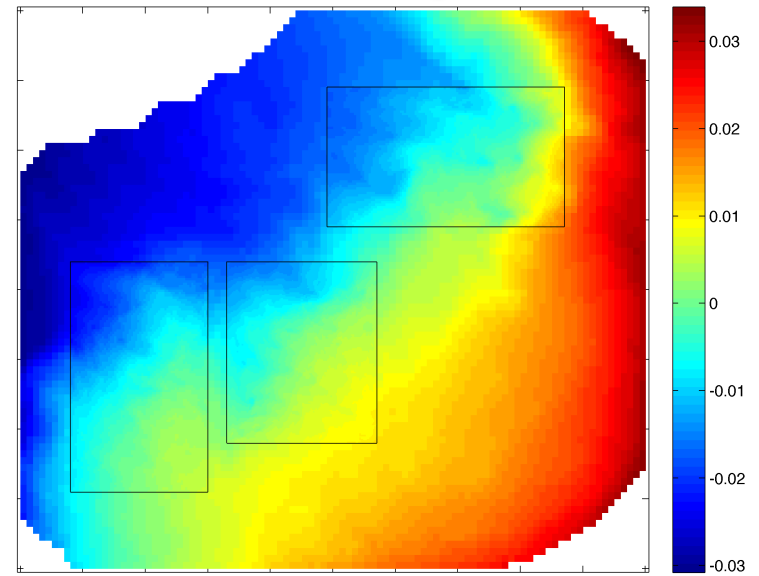
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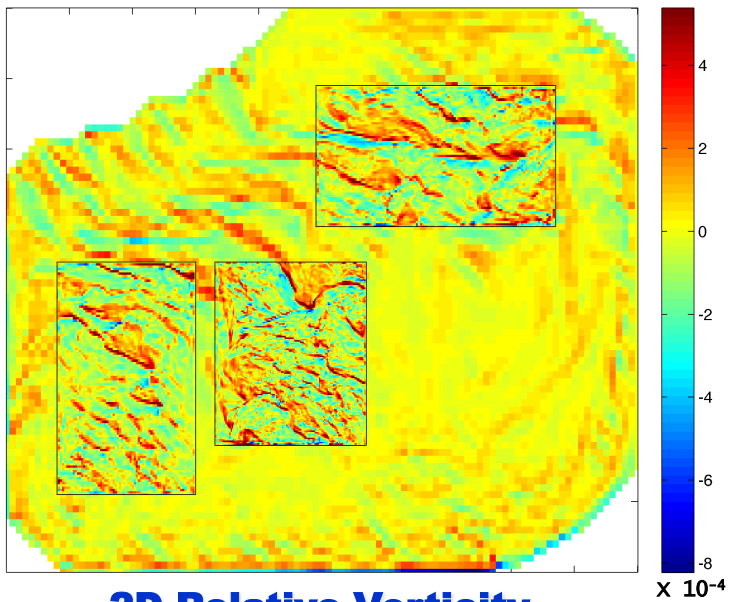


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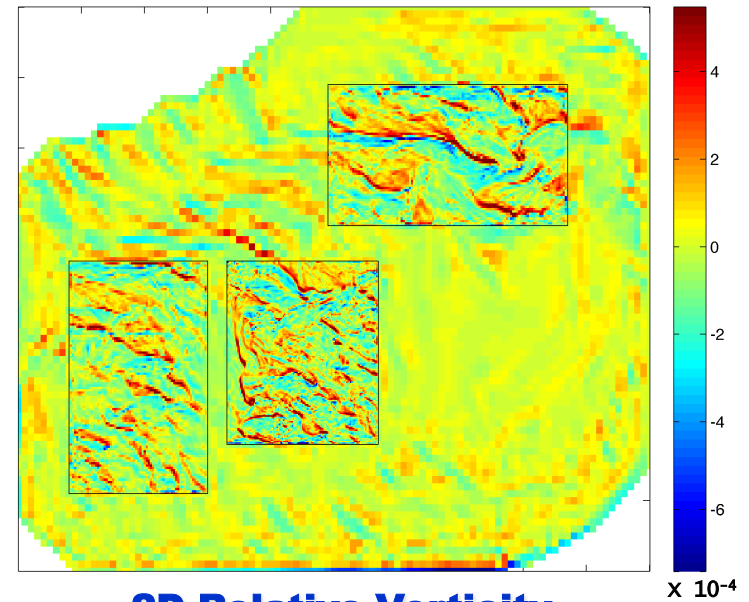
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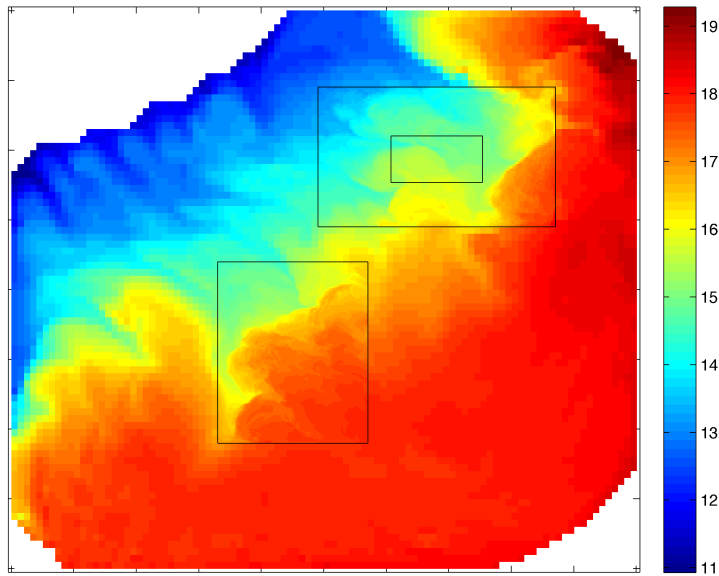
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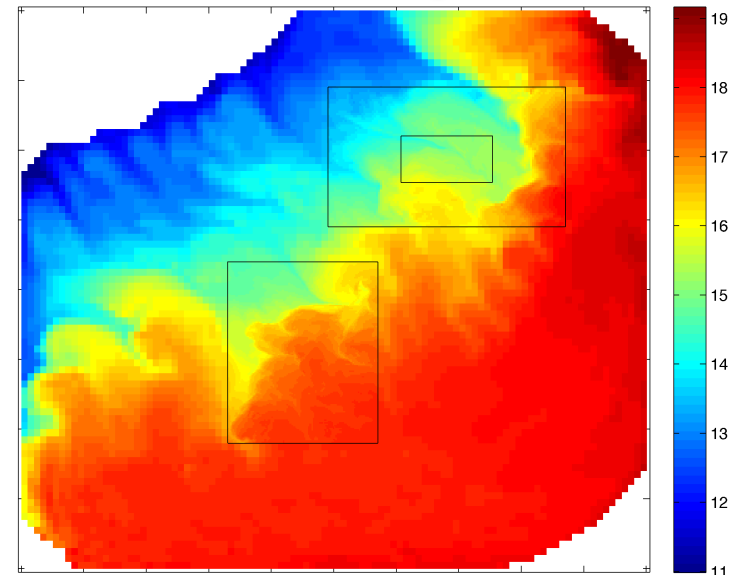
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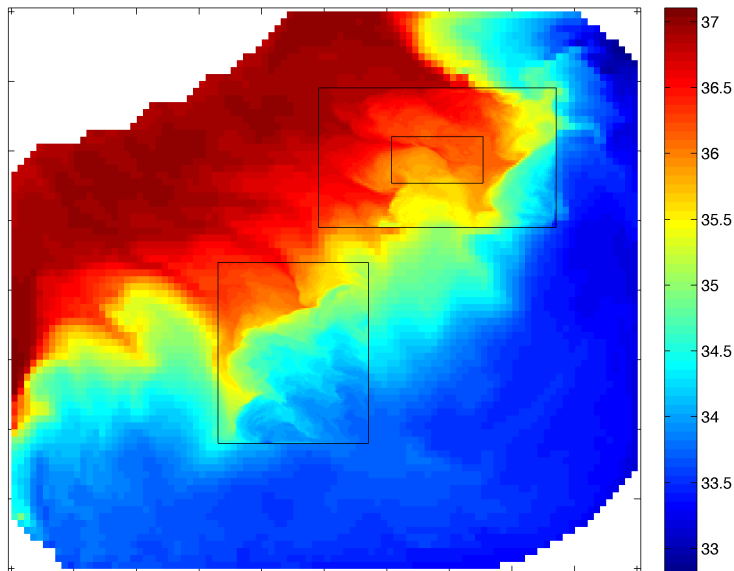


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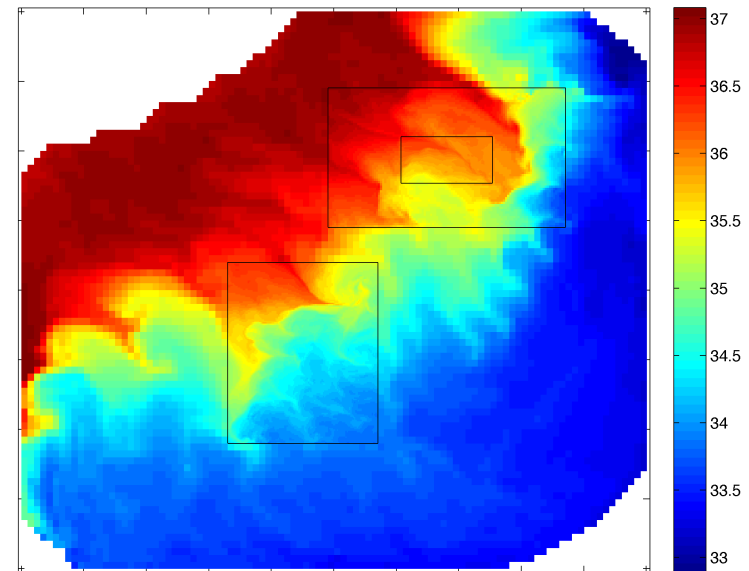
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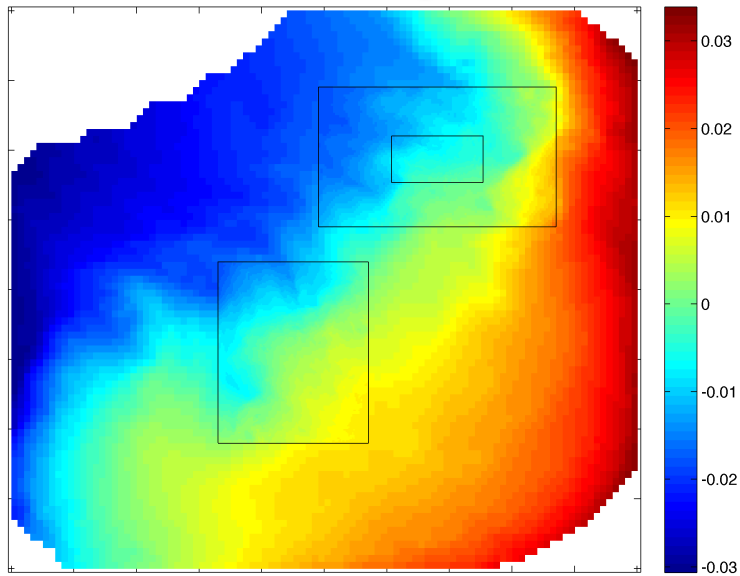
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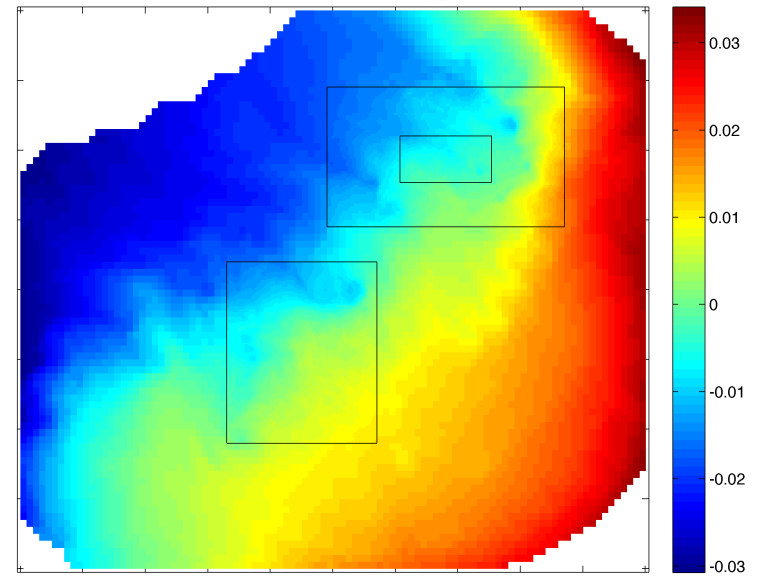
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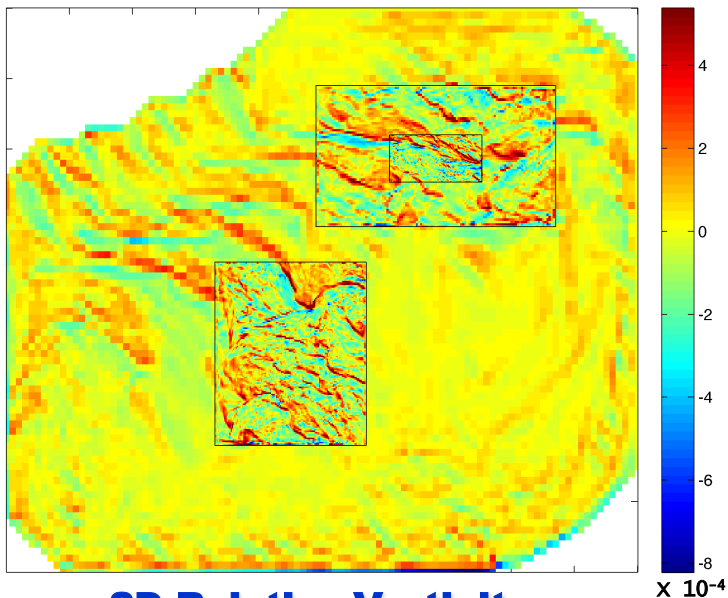


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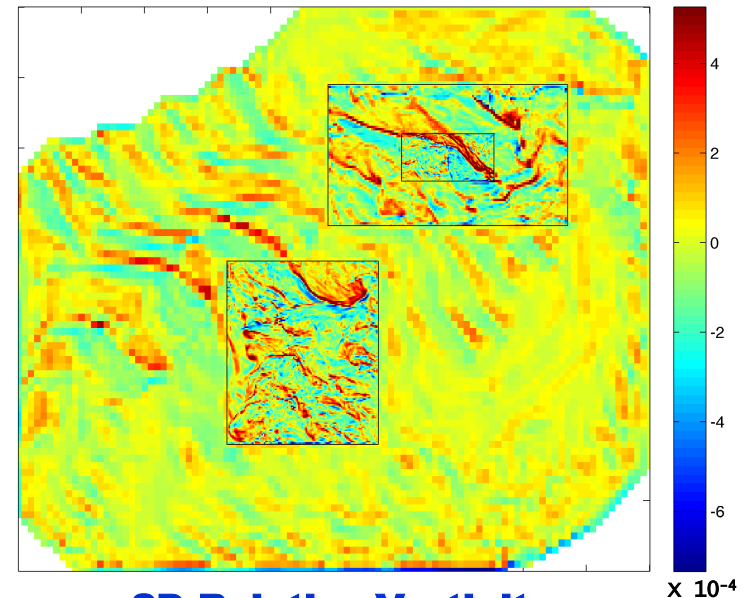
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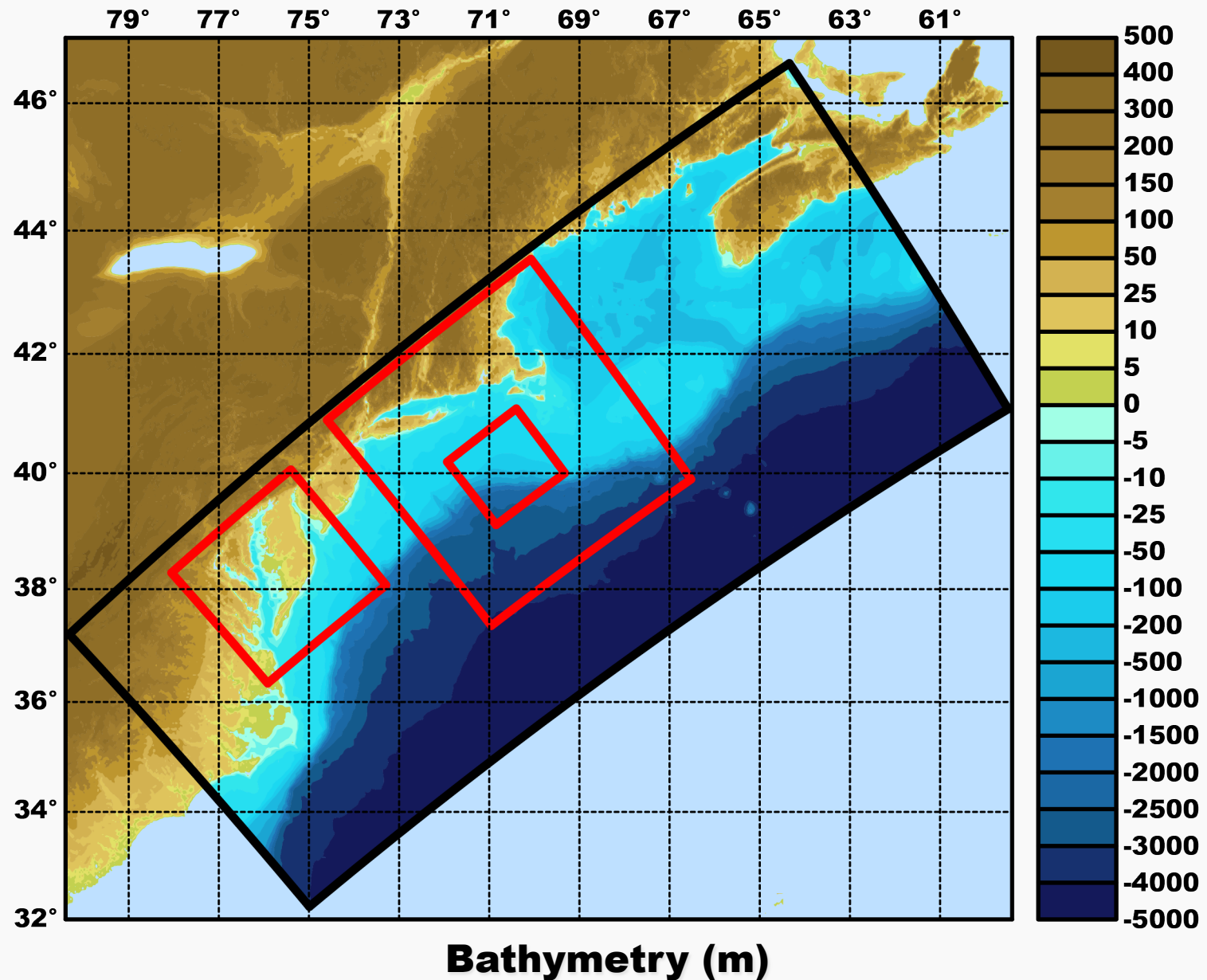


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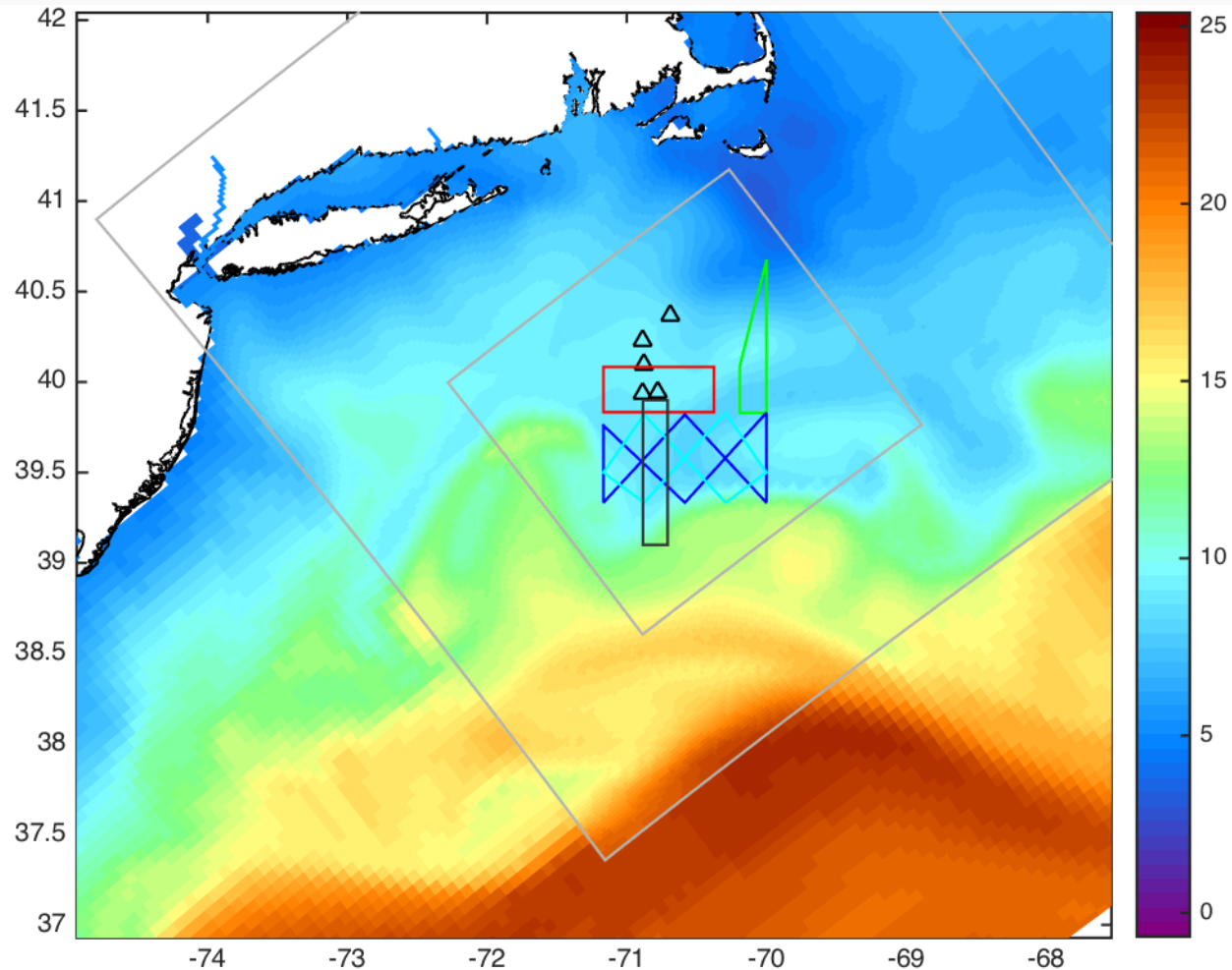
Mid-Atlantic Bight Grids

- **DOPPIO: 242x106 (~7 km)**
- **Chesapeake-Delaware grid (1:5 ratio): 215x205 (~1.8 km)**
- **Chesapeake-Delaware grid (1:7 ratio): 303x289 (~1.2 km)**
- **PIONEER (Hudson Canyon) grid (1:3 ratio): 204x216 (~2.3 km)**
- **ARRAY (Pioneer Data Array) grid (1:3; 1:9 ratio): 210x195 (~1 km)**

DOPPIO Refinement Grids

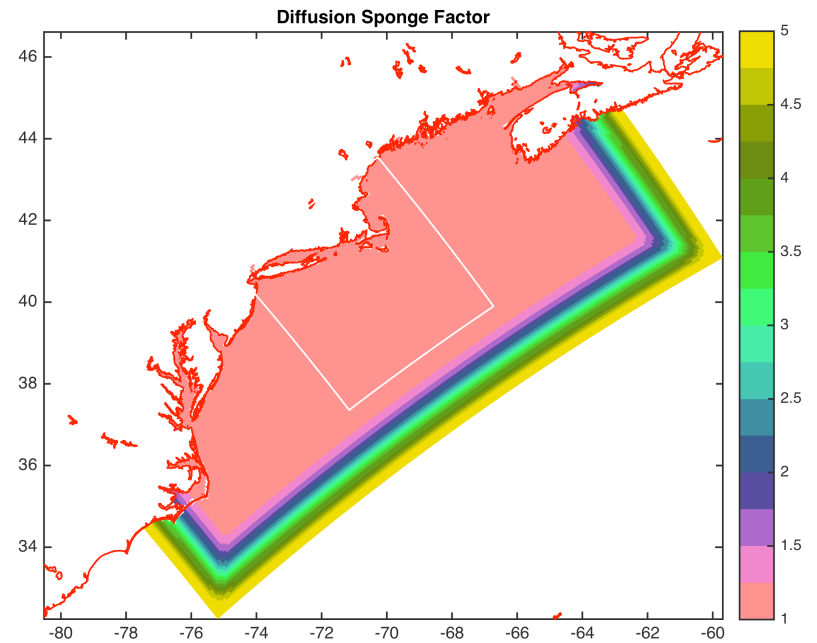
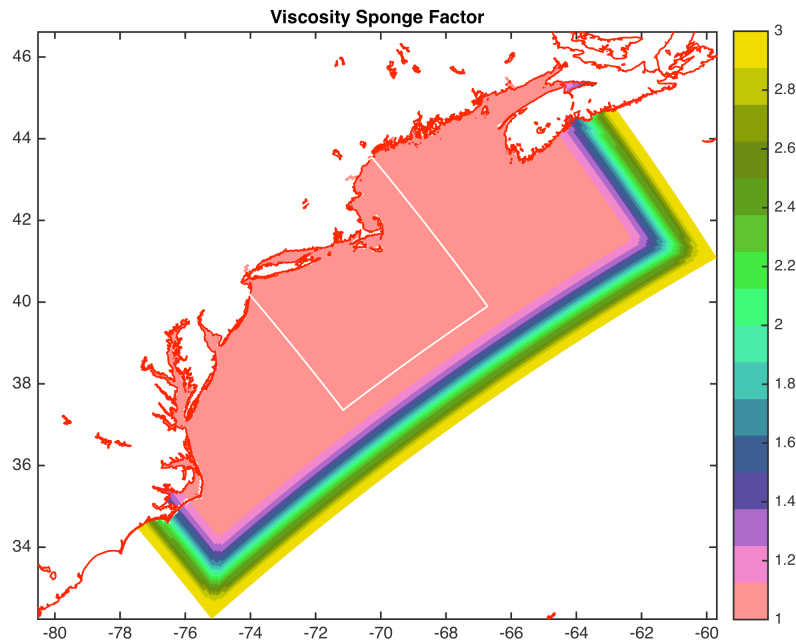


PIONEER Data Array Observations



Initial Surface Temperature (01-Jan-2014)

DOPPIO Sponge Areas



Same Reynolds Number for all Grids ($U \Delta x / \nu$):

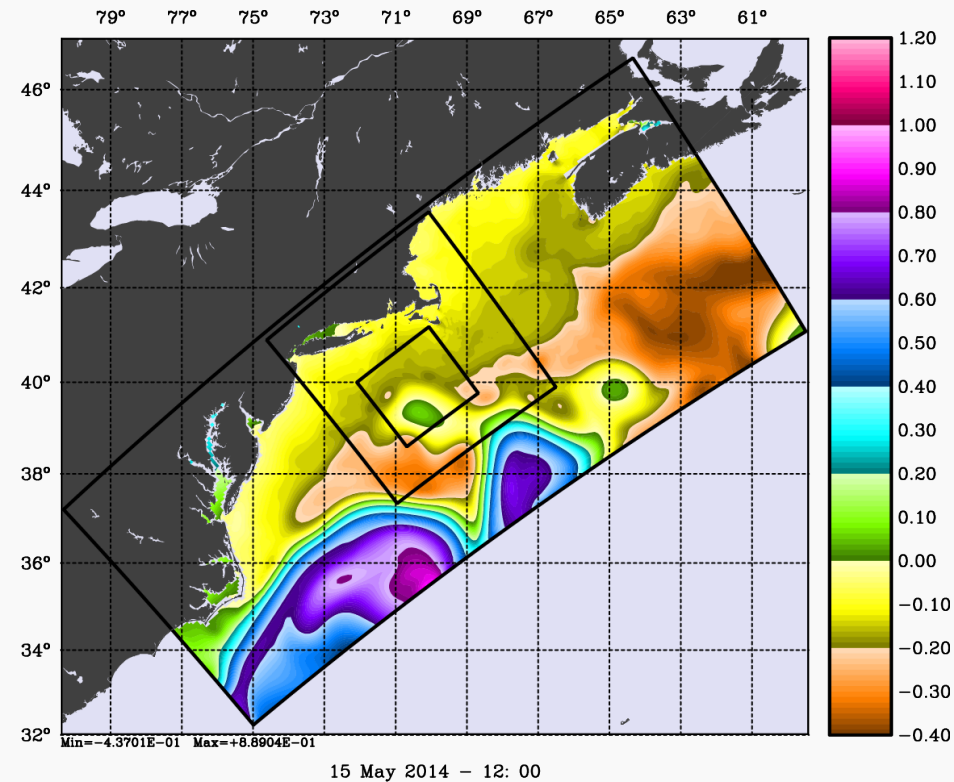
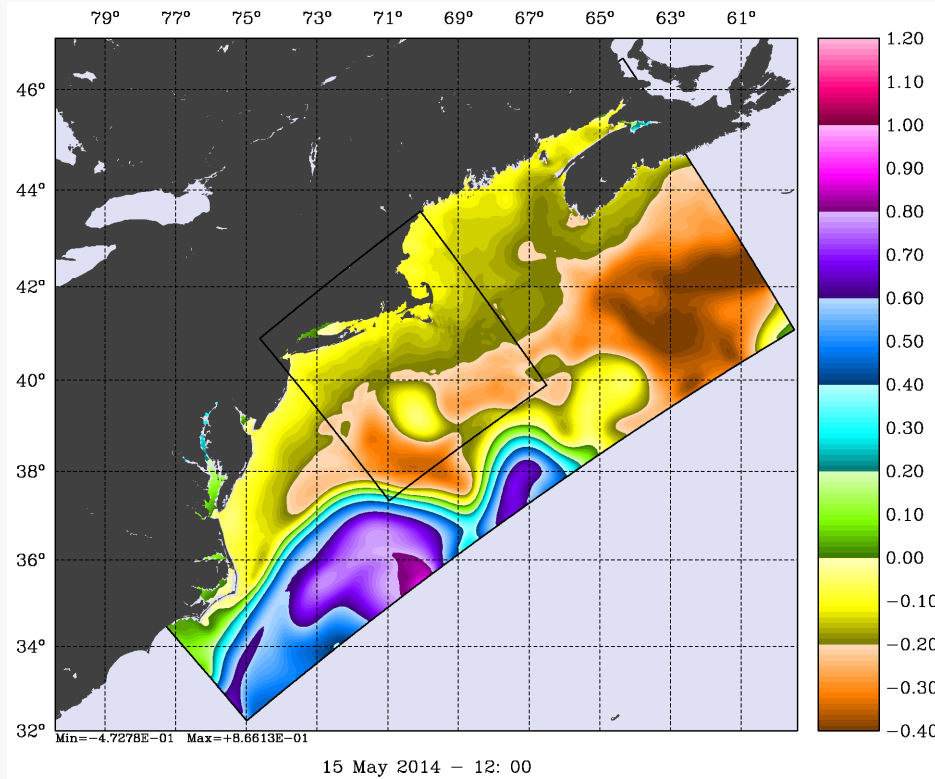
VISC2 ==	90.0d0	30.0d0	10.0d0	(m ² /s)
TNU2 ==	2*27.0d0	2*9.0d0	2*3.0d0	(m ² /s)

Time stepping (Δt):

DT ==	180.0d0	90.0d0	45.0d0	(3/1.5/0.75 minute step)
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Two-Way DOPPIO-PIONEER-ARRAY

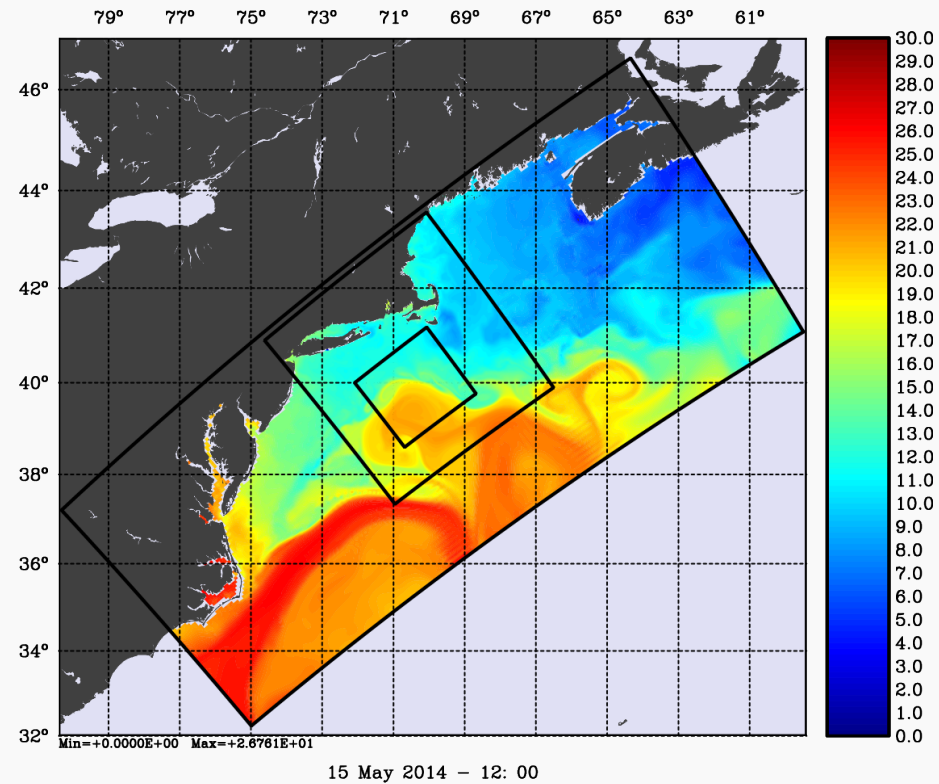
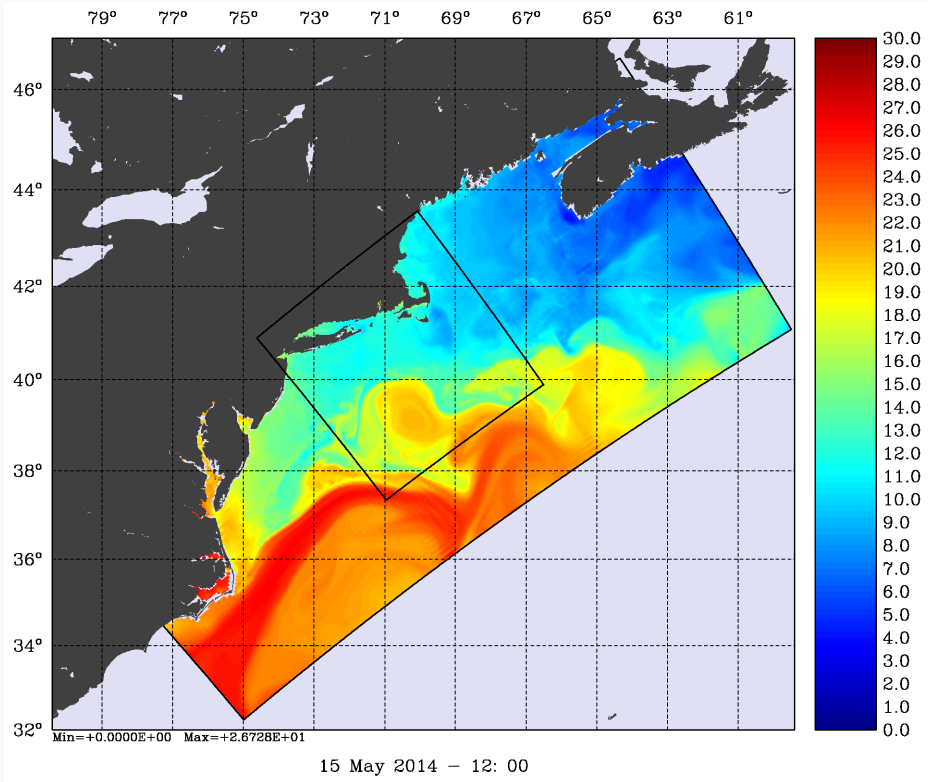
(1:3 Refinement)



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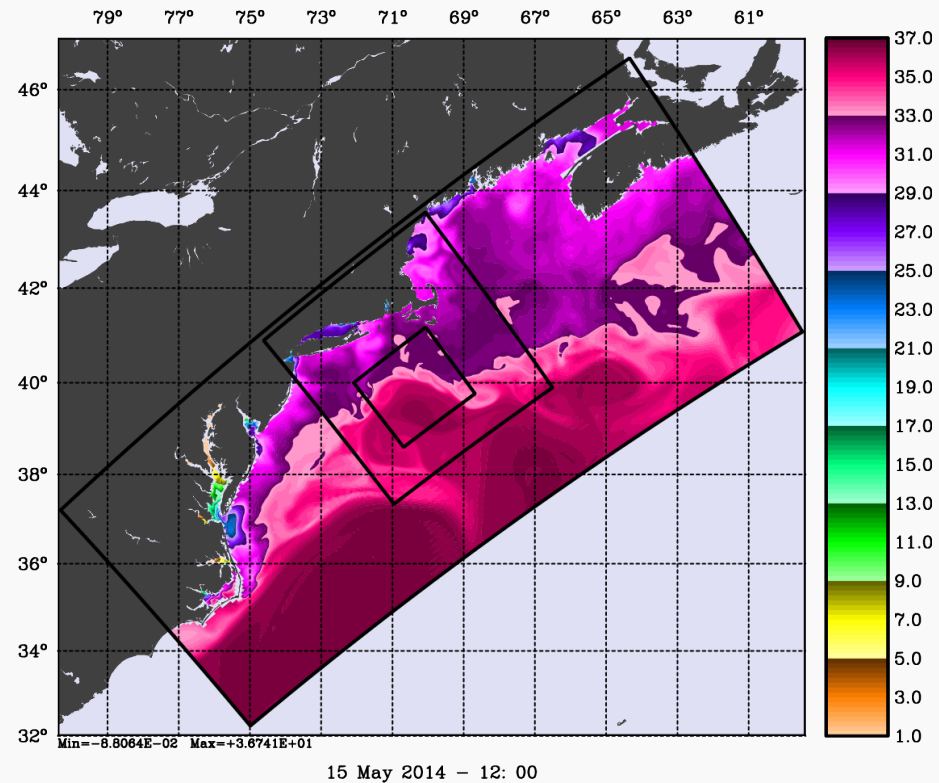
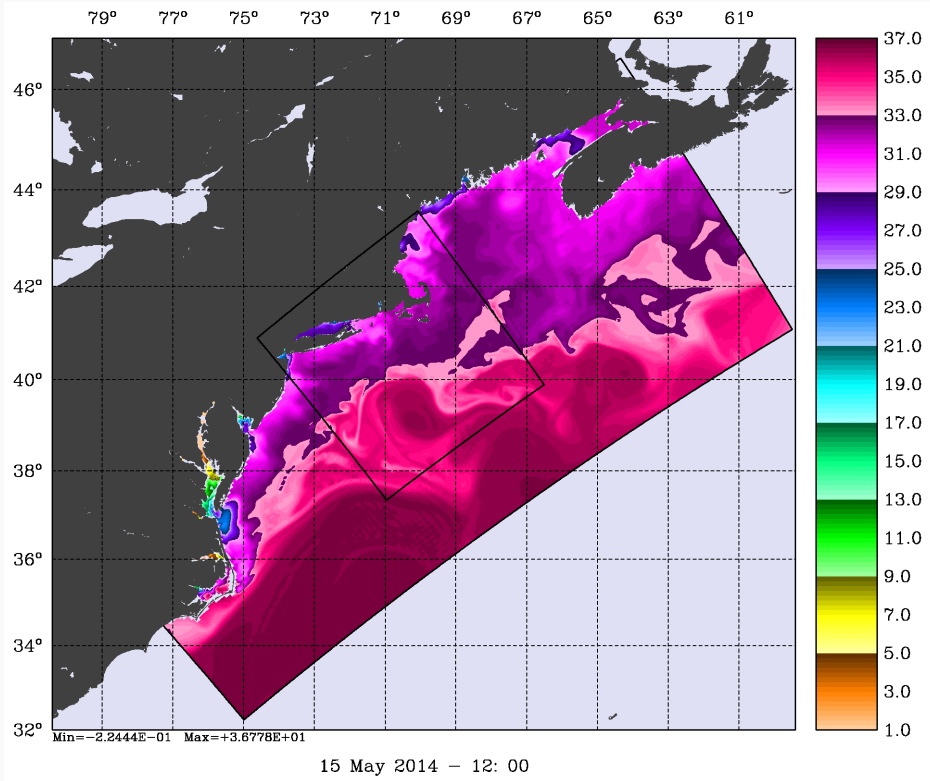
Two-Way DOPPIO-PIONEER-ARRAY

(1:3 Refinement)



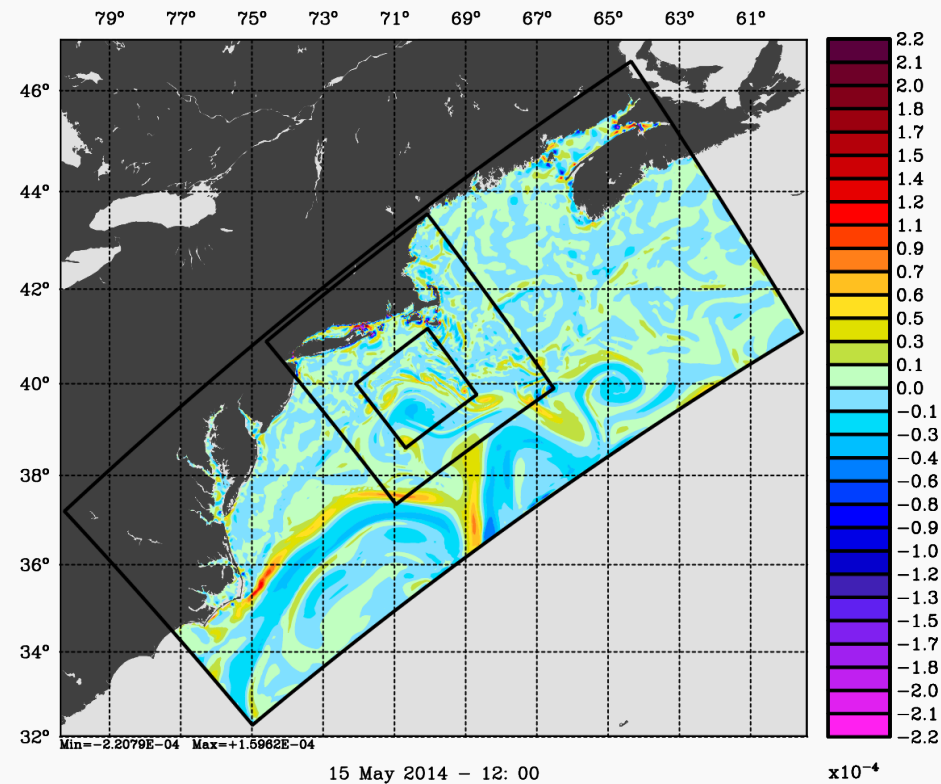
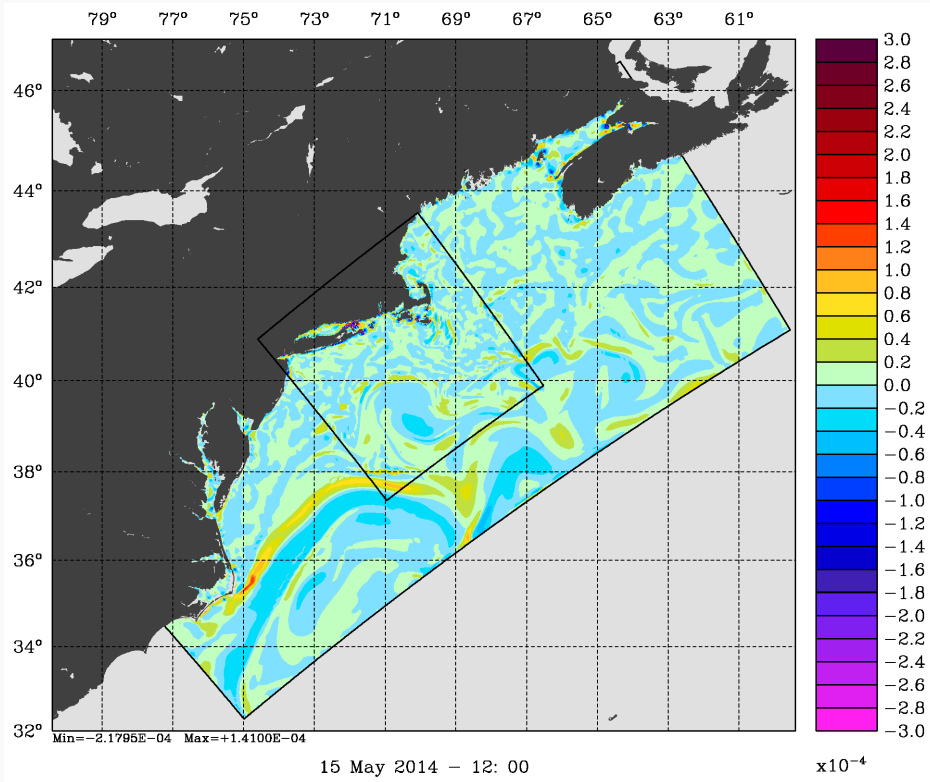
Surface Temperature (Celsius)

Two-Way DOPPIO-PIONEER-ARRAY (1:3 Refinement)



Surface Salinity

Two-Way DOPPIO-PIONEER-ARRAY (1:3 Refinement)



Surface Relative Vorticity (1/s)

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Introduction

These pages describe a variety of Matlab scripts that can be used for pre-processing and post-processing ROMS data. Since all the data in ROMS is managed with NetCDF files, some of these scripts use a NetCDF interface to Matlab to process the data. There are several interfaces for Matlab available from third parties. The most widely used interfaces are **MEXNC** and **SNCTOOLS**.

However, starting with Matlab version **2012a**, released on Feb 9, 2012, the **native** interface to NetCDF is the preferred method for processing NetCDF data in the scripts distributed in the ROMS repository **matlab** and described here. The **native** interface was introduced in Matlab version **2008b** for **NetCDF-3** type files. The **NetCDF-4** support started in version **2010b**. The support for **HDF5** files was completed in version **2011a**. The **OpenDAP** support began in version **2012a**. If your Matlab version is older than **2008b**, we highly recommend that you update to the newest version. However, in the basic generic scripts we have switches for older versions to activate either the **MEXNC** interface for standard NetCDF files and the **SNCTOOLS** interface to process NetCDF files on an **OpenDAP** server.

Programming in Matlab is easy. However, good and efficient programming in Matlab requires skill and time. We usually become better at it the more that we practice. I started programming in Matlab in the earlier 1990's. If I look back at my earlier scripts, they were

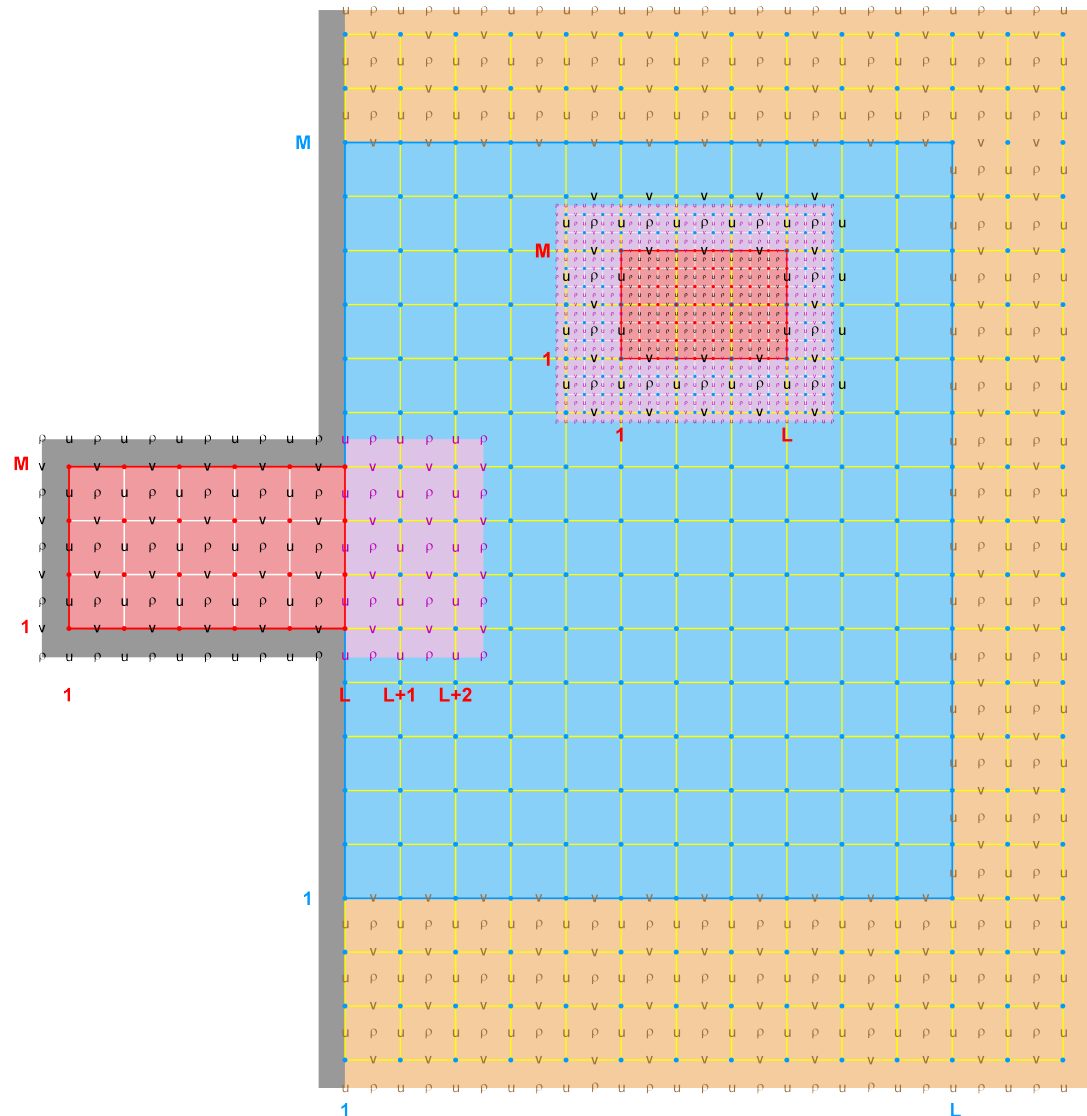
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Heterogeneous Model Nesting (One-Way Open boundary Conditions)



Nesting Remarks

- **ROMS nesting capabilities are unique and allow complex estuary and coastal configurations with unlimited number of composite and refined grids**
- **Coincident composite and mosaic grids produce identical solutions when compared to one large continuous grid**
- **Nowadays, both one-way and two-way nesting work well**
- **Placement of nested grids is application dependent and subject to geometrical and dynamical constraints**
- **The two-way exchange of information fine-to-coarse in grid refinement applications is expensive. We are exploring strategies to minimize computational cost.**

Upcoming

- **Efficient two-way MPI-communications for the fine-to-coarse nesting step**
- **Heterogeneous models nesting: one-way open boundary conditions (NetCDF files or **ESMF/MCT** coupling)**
- **Multiple model coupling with **ESMF** (Earth System Modeling Framework, Version 7) including the **NUOPC** (National Unified Operational Prediction Capability) layer**
- **Fully coupled ROMS and COAMPS dynamics via **ESMF** and **NUOPC****
- **Fully coupled ROMS and COAMPS data assimilation (**EnKF** and **4D-Var**)**
- ****4D-Var** data assimilation within nested grids**
- **Overhaul of ROMS plotting package (NCAR GKS library) to include nesting grids**
- **Release of ROMS 4.0**

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