Analysis of Discontinuous Galerkin type methods for oceanic and climate circulations

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Introduction

- Climate, oceanic and atmospheric flows support the propagation of:
 - very fast acoustic waves.
 - the fast inertia-gravity modes (internal, external).
 - the slow mid-latitude Rossby modes.
 - equatorial waves (Kelvin, Rossby index 1 and 2).

and many physical processes, equilibrium, conservation properties etc.

- Numerical methods badly represent the propagation of such waves and their properties at the discrete level.
- Many attemps to understand why over the past 50 years.
- To find out how to compute the waves accurately, error analyses are performed here mostly by studying the kernel of the discrete operators and by using the Fourier analysis.
- The aim of this talk is to present such Fourier results, and to propose a class of possible discretization schemes, that are not affected by the spurious solutions.

The shallow-water equations (2D)

They are derived by vertical integration of the momentum and continuity equations in the primitive system assuming:

- Horizontal displacements $(u_z = v_z = 0)$
- H ≪ L
- The density ρ is constant
- The hydrostatic equilibrium ($p_z = -\rho g$)

Inviscid non linear SW system:

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{u}}{\partial t} + (\mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla)\mathbf{u} + f\mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{u} + g\nabla\eta \quad = \quad \mathbf{0},$$

$$\frac{\partial \eta}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot ((H+\eta)\mathbf{u}) = \mathbf{0},$$

with appropriate initial and boundary conditions.

- $\mathbf{u} = (u, v)$ is the velocity field
- η is the surface elevation with respect to the reference level z = 0
- g is the gravitational acceleration and \mathbf{k} is a unit vector in the vertical direction
- the mean depth *H* is assumed constant



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nviscid linearized SW system:

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{u}}{\partial t} + f \mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{u} + g \nabla \eta = 0,$$

$$\frac{\partial \eta}{\partial t} + H \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} = 0,$$

Inertia-gravity and Rossby waves in 2-D

We consider the system				Periodic solutions		
$\mathbf{u}_t + f \mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{u} + g \nabla \eta$	=	0,	(1)	$\mathbf{u} = \hat{\mathbf{u}} \boldsymbol{e}^{i(kx+ly+\omega t)},$		
$\eta_t + H \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u}$	=	0,	(2)	$\eta = \hat{\eta} e^{i(kx+ly+\omega t)}.$		

After substitution in (1) and (2), the following system is obtained for the amplitudes

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & -f & igk \\ f & 0 & igl \\ iHk & iHI & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \hat{u} \\ \hat{v} \\ \hat{\eta} \end{pmatrix} = -i\omega I_{3,3} \begin{pmatrix} \hat{u} \\ \hat{v} \\ \hat{\eta} \end{pmatrix}.$$

The dispersion relation, i.e. $\omega(k, l)$, is obtained by vanishing the 3 × 3 determinant of the matrix:

geostrophic and inertia-gravity modes (f = constant)

The (slow) solution $\omega = 0$ is the geostrophic mode.

The two other (fast) solutions correspond to the inertia-gravity modes $\omega_{AN} = \pm \sqrt{f^2 + gH(k^2 + l^2)}$.

Two limits: • f = 0 (gravity wave), $\omega = \pm \sqrt{gH(k^2 + l^2)}$.

• $gH(k^2 + l^2) \ll f^2$ (inertial oscillations), $\omega = \pm f$.

By using the quasi-geostrophic approximation we can also obtain a relation for the

• Rossby mode:
$$\omega = \frac{-\beta k}{\frac{1}{\lambda^2} + k^2 + l^2}$$
, with $f = f_0 + \beta y$ and $\lambda = \sqrt{gH}/f_0$.

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High frequency inertia-Gravity





Low frequency Rossby waves





Matrix kernel analysis of the stationary SW model

A solution of the continuous stationary shallow water model

Continuous

$$f\mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{u} + g\nabla \eta = 0, \quad (3)$$
$$H\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} = 0, \quad (4)$$

Discrete

$$\begin{pmatrix} C & G \\ D & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{u}_h \\ \eta_h \end{pmatrix} := CDG \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{u}_h \\ \eta_h \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{0},$$

with $CG := \begin{pmatrix} C & G \end{pmatrix}$ and $DO := \begin{pmatrix} D & 0 \end{pmatrix}$,

should satisfy (Rostand and Le Roux, IJNMF 2007, SIAM 2008)

Property 1: (3)
$$\Rightarrow$$
 (4) $\mathbf{u} = \frac{g}{f} k \times \nabla \eta = \frac{g}{f} \operatorname{rot} \eta = \frac{g}{f} \nabla^{\perp} \eta$
ker(*CG*) \subset ker(*DO*)

Property 2: (4)
$$\Rightarrow$$
 (3) $\exists \zeta : \mathbf{u} = \nabla^{\perp} \zeta \Rightarrow \eta = \frac{f}{g} \zeta + c$
ker(*D*) $\subset \{\mathbf{u}_h \mid \exists \eta_h : (\mathbf{u}_h, \eta_h) \in \text{ker}(CG)\}$

Property 3: $\forall \eta, \exists u \text{ verifying } (3) \text{ and } (4).$

 $\forall \eta_h, \exists \mathbf{u}_h : (\mathbf{u}_h, \eta_h) \in \ker(CDG)$

A necessary (but not sufficient) condition is that the ratio of momentum versus continuity equations remains the same for the continuous and discrete cases.

Property 4: $\dim \ker(C) = 0$ and $\dim \ker(G) = 1$

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Mimetic discretization



Existence of the discrete Helmholtz decomposition requires that the following diagram commutes:

$$\begin{array}{cccc} H^{1}(\Omega) & \stackrel{\nabla^{\perp}}{\longrightarrow} & H(\textit{div},\Omega) & \stackrel{\nabla}{\longrightarrow} & L^{2}(\Omega) \\ \downarrow \pi_{\mathcal{S}} & & \downarrow \pi_{\mathcal{V}} & & \downarrow \pi_{\mathcal{Q}} \\ \mathcal{S} & \stackrel{\nabla^{\perp}}{\longrightarrow} & \mathcal{V} & \stackrel{\nabla}{\longrightarrow} & \mathcal{Q} \end{array} \tag{Arnold et al, 2002, 2006; Cotter, Shipton, 2012)}$$

A necessary condition to avoid both spurious inertia-gravity and spurious Rossby waves, at least in the periodic plane, is to have $\dim(V) = 2\dim(Q)$.

For example, to avoid spurious pressure (η) modes it is required that

$$\pi_Q(\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u}) = \nabla \cdot \pi_V(\mathbf{u})$$

Fourier analysis (dispersion relations) at the discrete level

- Time is assumed to be continuous $(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} = i\omega)$ and *f* is held constant.
- The discrete problem leads to a set of discrete equations in space (at node $j_1 = 1, 2, 3, \dots$, for **u** and $j_2 = 1, 2, 3, \dots$, for η) on a regular and uniform mesh (the meshlength parameter *h* is taken as a constant). In the following biased right triangles are used.
- Periodic solutions $\mathbf{u}_{j_1} = \hat{\mathbf{u}}_p e^{i(kx_{j_1} + ly_{j_1} + \omega t)}$ and $\eta_{j_2} = \hat{\eta}_q e^{i(kx_{j_2} + ly_{j_2} + \omega t)}$ are sought where $\hat{\mathbf{u}}_p$ and $\hat{\eta}_q$ are the Fourier amplitudes, with $p = 1, 2, 3 \cdots$, and $q = 1, 2, 3, \cdots$.
- When linear polynomials are employed to approximate u and η, the velocity and pressure unknowns are located at triangle vertices and we have p = q = 1 (for symmetry reasons).
 However, when mid-side, barycenter, internal, etc ..., nodes are used to locate velocity and surface-elevation nodal values we have p > 1 and q > 1. For example:



A $n \times n$ system is obtained for the amplitudes and the dispersion relation is hence a polynomial of degree n in ω , leading to the existence of eventual spurious solutions. We have n = 2p + q or n = p + q depending on the FE pairs.

Effects of spurious elevation modes: the $P_1 - P_1$ pair: dim ker(G) $\neq 1$



 The behavior of the smallest nonzero singular value σ₀ of the discrete divergence operator is related to the so-called discrete stability inf-sup (LBB) condition for mixed problems

$$\inf_{\vartheta_{h}\in Q_{j,h}} \sup_{\mathbf{u}_{h}\in \mathbf{V}_{j,h}} \frac{b(\mathbf{u}_{h},\vartheta_{h})}{\|\mathbf{u}_{h}\|_{\mathbf{V}_{j}}} \|\vartheta_{h}\|_{Q_{j}/\ker B^{T}} \ge \sigma_{0},$$
(5)

where ϑ_h denotes the test function, and *B* is the linear continuous operator defined as $< B\mathbf{u}, \vartheta >_{Q'_i \times Q_i} = b(\mathbf{u}, \vartheta) = \int_{\Omega} \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} \ \vartheta \ d\mathbf{x}, \quad \forall \mathbf{u} \in \mathbf{V}_j, \forall \vartheta \in Q_j.$

- σ₀ ≠ 0 is needed when dim(V_{j,h}) and dim(Q_{j,h}) increase, to avoid a zero eigenvalue of the problem associated with a stationary spurious η mode (u = 0, η ∈ ker(G_h), η ≠ constant).
- Stabilized FEM (Hughes et al., 1986): retrieving the information lost by the projection Π_{V_h}, i.e. gradη_h Π_{V_h}gradη_h, for a bad choice of V_{j,h} and Q_{j,h} (when there are not enough u_h compared to η_h), as it is the case when grad is not injective, namely dim(ker B^t_h) > 1.

Coriolis *f*-modes: C-grid and *RT*, *BDM* and *BDFM* elements: dim ker(C) \neq 0



• The numerical example with the $RT_0 - P_0$ pair considers the geostrophic balance

- The fluid is initially at rest and a point mass source and sink are prescribed
- The Coriolis parameter is held constant
- the RT0 scheme exhibits a checkerboard-like pattern of noise in the elevation field around the mass source and sink points when $\lambda = \sqrt{gH}/f$ is not resolved

(Le Roux et al., SIAM 2008)



Use a fine mesh to well resolve the Rossby radius.

Existence of spurious inertial oscillations: $\omega = \pm f$

For all FE pairs having two velocity components per node, with n = 2p + q and $p \ge q$, the selected discrete equations lead to the following $(2p+q) \times (2p+q)$ matrix system for the amplitudes:

$$SX = 0, \quad \text{with} \quad S = \begin{pmatrix} M_{2p,2p} & -gD_{2p,q}^* \\ HD_{q,2p} & i\omega N_{q,q} \end{pmatrix}, \quad X = (\widehat{\mathbf{u}}_1, \cdots, \widehat{\mathbf{u}}_p, \widehat{\eta}_1, \cdots, \widehat{\eta}_q), \quad (6)$$

where $\hat{u}_1, \dots, \hat{u}_p, \hat{\eta}_1, \dots, \hat{\eta}_q$ are the Fourier amplitudes, $D_{q,2p}$ and $N_{q,q}$ are the divergence and surface-elevation mass matrices, respectively, $M_{2p,2p}$ is the velocity mass / Coriolis matrix.

Theorem (Le Roux, JCP 2012)

For all FE pairs having two velocity components per node, with n = 2p + q and $p \ge q$, the general dispersion relation obtained from (6) is such that

$$\det S = 0 = \omega^q \left(\omega^2 - f^2\right)^{p-q} \mathsf{P}_{2q}(\omega),$$

where $P_{2q}(\omega)$ is a polynomial of degree 2q in ω (inertia-gravity solutions).

Consequences

The FE pairs having 2 velocity components per node are subject to

- Physical geostrophic modes $\omega = 0$ of multiplicity q-1 if q > 1.
- Non physical solutions $\omega = \pm f$ if p > q, namely spurious inertial modes of multiplicity p q.

Effects of spurious inertial oscillations: $\omega = \pm f$

- η plays the role of a constant and **u** only depends on time, i.e. $\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{u}(t)$.
- $\mathbf{u}(t)$ is the discrete counterpart of the solution of the continuous equation $\mathbf{u}_t + f \mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{u} = 0$:

 $u(t) = V \sin(tt + \Phi)$ and $v(t) = V \cos(tt + \Phi)$,

where $\mathbf{u}(t)$ rotates with frequency f. This is observed when f is a constant depending on

The ratio of the spurious inertial modes to the total number of discrete modes:

	$P_1^{DG} - P_1$	$P_2 - P_1$	$P_1^{NC} - P_1$	$P_1^{DG} - P_2$
$\frac{2(p-q)}{n}$	10/13	6/9	4/7	4/16
	77%	67 <i>%</i>	57%	25%

Rossby mode $f = f_0 + \beta y$, *u* (9 periods)



Rossby wave of index 2, $f = \beta y$, v (5 periods)

Continuous:
$$-1.14$$
, 1.14 $P_1^{DG} - P_2$: -2.50 , 2.36



Finite Element Exterior Calculus: a few candidates

• The $P_1^{NC} - P_{1-C}$ pair (2D) (Le Roux, SIAM 2001)



• The *BDFM*₁ – P_1^{DG} pair (2D) (Cotter and Shipton, JCP 2012) $V = \{\mathbf{u} \in H(div) : \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{u}_1 + \mathbf{u}_2, with \mathbf{u}_1 |_K \in (P_1(K))^2 \text{ and } \mathbf{u}_2 |_K \in \{\mathbf{u} \in (P_2(K))^2 : \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{n} = 0 \text{ on } \partial K\}\}$



DG discretization of the 2D linear shallow-water system

Let $\{\tau_h\}_{h>0}$ denote a partition of the domain Ω into a finite number of disjoint open elements Ω_{κ} :

$$\overline{\Omega} = \cup_{{\cal K}} \overline{\Omega}_{{\cal K}} \quad \text{and} \quad \Omega_{{\cal K}^+} \cap \Omega_{{\cal K}^-} = \emptyset \ \text{for} \ {\cal K}^+ \neq {\cal K}^-,$$

where the meshlength parameter *h* is assumed to be constant. Further, let Γ be the finite ensemble of interelement boundaries $\Gamma_e = \overline{\partial \Omega_{K^+}} \cap \overline{\partial \Omega_{K^-}}$ with $K^+ > K^-$ inside the domain, and $\overline{\Gamma} = \cup_e \overline{\Gamma}_e$ and $\Gamma_e \cap \Gamma_f = \emptyset$ for $e \neq f$.

Each $\Gamma_{e} \in \Gamma$ is associated with a unique fixed unit normal $\mathbf{n}_{e} = (n_{e}^{x}, n_{e}^{y})$. Finally, for any function $\iota \in V_{K} = H^{1}(\Omega_{K})$ (ι may represent u, v or η), the trace of ι on Γ_{e} is denoted by ι^{\pm} , with

$$\iota^-(x) = \lim_{\varepsilon \to 0^-} \iota(x + \varepsilon n_{\varrho}), \quad \iota^+(x) = \lim_{\varepsilon \to 0^+} \iota(x + \varepsilon n_{\varrho}),$$

where $\mathbf{x} \in \Gamma_{e}$.

Let $\mathbf{w} = (u, v, \eta)$. The linear shallow-water equations yield

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{w}}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{w}) + \mathbf{S}(\mathbf{w}) = \mathbf{0}, \quad \text{with} \quad \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{w}) = \begin{pmatrix} g\eta & 0\\ 0 & g\eta\\ Hu & Hv \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{S}(\mathbf{w}) = \begin{pmatrix} fv\\ -fu\\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \tag{7}$$

where F(w) and S are the flux and source terms, respectively.

The weak formulation is obtained by multiplying (7) by an arbitrary test function $\psi(\mathbf{x}) \in V_K$ and integrate the flux term by parts, using Green's theorem, over each element Ω_K :

$$\int_{\Omega_{\kappa}} \frac{\partial \mathbf{w}}{\partial t} \cdot \psi \, d\mathbf{x} - \int_{\Omega_{\kappa}} \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{w}) \cdot \nabla \psi \, d\mathbf{x} + \int_{\partial \Omega_{\kappa}} \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{w}) \cdot \mathbf{n}_{e} \cdot \psi \, d\mathbf{x} + \int_{\Omega_{\kappa}} \mathbf{S}(\mathbf{w}) \cdot \psi \, d\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}.$$
(8)

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The discrete schemes



Let $\mathscr{P}^m(\Omega_K)$ the space of polynomials of degree $\leq m$ and $V_{h,K} = \{\iota : \iota|_{\Omega_K} \in \mathscr{P}^m(\Omega_K)\} \subset V_K$. u, v, η are approximated in $V_{h,K}$ and these are denoted by $\mathbf{w}_h = (u_h, v_h, \eta_h)$. Equation (8) leads to

$$\int_{\Omega_{\kappa}} \frac{\partial \mathbf{w}_{h}}{\partial t} \cdot \psi \, d\mathbf{x} - \int_{\Omega_{\kappa}} \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{w}_{h}) \cdot \nabla \psi \, d\mathbf{x} + \int_{\partial \Omega_{\kappa}} \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{w}_{h}^{*}) \cdot \mathbf{n}_{e} \cdot \psi \, d\mathbf{s} + \int_{\Omega_{\kappa}} \mathbf{S}(\mathbf{w}_{h}) \cdot \psi \, d\mathbf{x} = 0, \quad (9)$$

where $\mathbf{w}_h^* = (u_h^*, v_h^*, \eta_h^*)$ denotes the numerical trace of \mathbf{w} on the boundary element $\partial \Omega_K$.

To complete the definition of the approximate solution \mathbf{w}_h , it only remains to choose a unique numerical flux \mathbf{w}^* at the cell interface as to render the method consistent and stable.

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The Polynomial viscosity matrix approach (PVM)

Equation (7) is projected in the normal direction $\mathbf{n}_e = (n_e^x, n_e^y)$, with $||\mathbf{n}_e|| = 1$, assuming the source term $\mathbf{S}(\mathbf{w})$ is disregarded. This yields

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{w}}{\partial t} + A \frac{\partial \mathbf{w}}{\partial n_e^x} = 0, \quad \text{where} \quad A = \frac{\partial (\mathbf{F} \cdot \mathbf{n}_e)}{\partial \mathbf{w}} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & gn_e^x \\ 0 & 0 & gn_e^y \\ Hn_e^x & Hn_e^y & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

is A is the Jacobian matrix. Classical computations lead to

$$\begin{split} F(\mathbf{w}^*_{\mathsf{Roe}}) \cdot \mathbf{n}_{ed} &= A[\mathbf{w}] - \frac{1}{2\sqrt{gH}} A^2[\mathbf{w}], \\ F(\mathbf{w}^*_{\mathsf{Rus}}) \cdot \mathbf{n}_{ed} &= A[\mathbf{w}] - \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{gH} I_{3,3}[\mathbf{w}], \end{split}$$

where $\{w\}$ and [w] denote the mean value and the jump of w between the right and left fields, respectively. In a more general (PVM) approach the numerical flux is defined as

$$F(\mathbf{w}^*) \cdot \mathbf{n} = A\{\mathbf{w}\} - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=0}^{N} \widetilde{\alpha}_j A^j[\mathbf{w}].$$

The coefficients $\tilde{\alpha}_j$ are such that the polynomial interpolates the function "absolute value" at some eigenvalues of the Jacobian matrix (Castro and Fernandez-Nieto, SIAM 2012).

These coefficients are determined in order to guarantee the stability of the scheme.

DG SCHEMES

Since we have the property $A^{2j-1} = (gH)^{j-1}A$, $A^{2j} = (gH)^{j-1}A^2$, for $j = 1, 2, 3, \cdots$, we obtain $F(\mathbf{w}^*) \cdot \mathbf{n} = A\{\mathbf{w}\} - \frac{1}{2} \left(\alpha_0 I_{3,3}[\mathbf{w}] + \alpha_1 A[\mathbf{w}] + \alpha_2 A^2[\mathbf{w}] \right)$.

 $\mathbf{n} = A\{\mathbf{w}\} - \frac{1}{2} \underbrace{\left(\alpha_0 I_{3,3}[\mathbf{w}] + \alpha_1 A[\mathbf{w}] + \alpha_2 A^{\mathbf{w}}[\mathbf{w}]\right)}_{\text{numerical viscosity matrix}}.$

with $\alpha_0 = p \sqrt{gH}$, $\alpha_1 = 0$ and $\alpha_2 = q / \sqrt{gH}$, and this leads to

$$F(\mathbf{w}^{*}) \cdot \mathbf{n} = \begin{pmatrix} g\eta^{*}n_{x} \\ g\eta^{*}n_{y} \\ H\mathbf{u}^{*} \cdot \mathbf{n} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} gn_{ed}^{x}\{\eta\} - \frac{\sqrt{gH}}{2} \left(p[u] + qn_{ed}^{x} \left(n_{ed}^{x}[u] + n_{ed}^{y}[v] \right) \right) \\ gn_{ed}^{y}\{\eta\} - \frac{\sqrt{gH}}{2} \left(p[v] + qn_{ed}^{y} \left(n_{ed}^{x}[u] + n_{ed}^{y}[v] \right) \right) \\ H \left(n_{ed}^{x}\{u\} + n_{ed}^{y}\{v\} \right) - \frac{\sqrt{gH}}{2} \left(p(+q) \left[\eta \right] \end{pmatrix} \end{pmatrix}$$

The choice of *p* and *q* leads to a few classical schemes:

	Centered	Rusanov	Roe	PVM-2	PVM-4
р	0	1	0	1/2	3/8
q	0	0	1	1/2	5/8

To obtain the 2-D dispersion relations for the $P_1^{DG} - P_1^{DG}$ and $P_1^{NC} - P_1^{NC}$ pairs:

- Write the 18 TYPICAL (resp. 9) discrete equations for the $P_1^{DG} P_1^{DG}$ (resp. $P_1^{NC} P_1^{NC}$) pair
- Perform the 2-D Fourier analysis
- Compute the 18 × 18 (resp. 9×9) determinant for the $P_1^{DG} P_1^{DG}$ (resp. $P_1^{NC} P_1^{NC}$) pair
- "Solve" equations of degree 18 and 9 in $\omega(kh, lh)$ and obtain the asymptotics as $h \rightarrow 0$

Theorem

In the limit as mesh spacing $h \rightarrow 0$ we obtain the asymptotic results

• The inertia-gravity modes (for the 4 schemes): No spurious pressure and f-modes

$$\omega^{DG} = \omega^{AN} + i \mathscr{F}_1(k,l) h^3 \pm \mathscr{F}_2(k,l) h^4 + O(h^5)$$
$$\omega^{NC} = \omega^{AN} \pm \mathscr{G}_1(k,l) h^4 + i \mathscr{G}_2(k,l) h^5 + O(h^6)$$

• The geostrophic mode: No spurious geostrophic modes

$$\frac{Rusanov, PVM-2, PVM-4}{\omega^{DG}} = \frac{Roe}{i\mathscr{F}_{3}(k,l)h^{3}+O(h^{5})} \qquad \omega^{DG} = 0 \quad and \quad i\mathscr{F}_{3}(k,l)h+O(h^{2})$$
$$\omega^{NC} = i\mathscr{G}_{3}(k,l)h^{5}+O(h^{7}) \qquad \omega^{NC} = i\mathscr{G}_{3}(k,l)h+O(h^{2})$$

• Existence of high frequency modes: $\omega_j = \frac{\alpha_j + i\beta_j}{h} + O(h)$, with $\beta_j > 0$.

DG simulations (I): Balanced flow, Convergence rate for $||\mathbf{u}||$ after 8 weeks.

Mesh 1



Mesh 2





Rus



DG simulations (II): Propagating eddy: $\|\mathbf{u}\|_{L^{\infty}}$ after 10 weeks



Conclusions

- The discretization of the shallow-water equations usually leads to computational modes.
- We have proposed to study these problems by using Fourier (dispersion) analyses and the study of the kernels of the discrete operators.
- The cause of the computational solutions is mainly due to:
 - Wrong choice of discrete spaces for the variables u, v and η (spurion η modes).
 - An imbalance between the d.o.f. of u, v and η nodal values (inertial modes).
 - The use of normal velocities (f-modes).
- The Fourier analyses show that stabilized DG methods are free of spurious solutions:
 - The P_1^{NC} approximation with the Rusanov scheme is highly accurate for all modes.
 - Further, the P^{NC}₁ scheme "naturally" discretizes the laplacian term without recouring to the LDG method for viscous flows.
 - Finally, we have obtained numerically a CFL limit of:
 - ***** 0.18 for the P_1^{DG} scheme
 - ***** 0.30 for the P_1^{NC} scheme.
- Fourier analysis should be performed for 3D models.